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Media Release

Get festive with the RUH Spiritual Care Centre

The Chaplains at the RUH Spiritual Care Centre are getting in to the Christmas spirit with festive celebrations taking place both in the hospital and the community.

A variety of events will be held including a Trust Carol Service in the Atrium, a Children's Ward Nativity & Carols and carol singing from the Salvation Army Band.

Lead Chaplain Narinder Tegally said: "We pride ourselves on providing support, especially at Christmas which can be a particularly difficult time of year for some. We welcome patients, families, carers and staff from all backgrounds, cultures, of all faiths and none to join us."

18 December – Trust Carol Service in the Atrium 3pm

19 December – Carol singing at St Martin's Hospital 3.30pm

20 December – Carol singing at Royal National Hospital Rheumatic Diseases Bath 3pm

20 December – Carol singing around the Wards at the RUH 6.15 to 7.15pm

21 December – Carol singing at Sycamore Ward – Hill View Lodge 3pm

23 December – Salvation Army Band Carol Singing on the Wards & Atrium 9.30 to 12.30pm

24 December – Children's Ward Nativity & Carols 2pm

25 December – Informal Communion in the Spiritual Care Centre 10am

25 December – Ward & Bedside communion 11am – 1pm

The Chaplaincy Team provides spiritual and religious care to all patients, their carers and families, as well as hospital staff.



The Spiritual Care Centre, which opened in February 2018, is part of the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust's [Fit for the Future](#) development plan to transform the site and further improve services for patients. The Centre offers 24-hour access for people of all faiths or none, providing room for reflection, prayer or simply to gather their thoughts.

The Spiritual Care Centre is located on the intersection of Zone C & D on the ground floor of the PAW Corridor.

Ends

Notes to Editor:

- The Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust provides acute treatment and care for a catchment population of around 500,000 people in Bath, and the surrounding towns and villages in North East Somerset and Western Wiltshire. The hospital provides healthcare to the population served by four Clinical Commissioning Groups: Bath & North East Somerset CCG, Wiltshire CCG, Somerset CCG and South Gloucestershire CCG.
- The Trust has 759 beds and a comprehensive range of acute services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.
- In 2015 The Royal United Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust acquired the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases (RNHRD) NHS Foundation Trust. The RNHRD treats patients from across the country offering services in rheumatology, chronic pain, chronic fatigue syndrome/ME, cancer related fatigue and fatigue linked to other long term conditions such as multiple sclerosis
- The RUH is changing - we have an exciting programme of redevelopment underway transforming our site and further improving the services we provide. The Trust is now building a purpose built RNHRD and Therapies Centre and working towards the new Dyson Cancer Centre. For more details visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk/about/fit_for_the_future
- For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk

