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Media Release

Service to remember special babies

Families who have lost a baby are being invited to attend a special remembrance service in Bath.

Held at Haycombe Cemetery on Saturday 13 June, the service is organised by the Spiritual Care team at the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust in partnership with the charity Sands.

The service is open to anyone affected by the loss of a baby at any stage of pregnancy or shortly after birth. It is designed to offer a supportive space for reflection, remembrance and connection with others who have had similar experiences.

At the heart of the service is an Act of Remembrance. Families will be invited to write their baby's name on a paper butterfly and light a candle, creating a shared moment of reflection and connection.

Narinder Tegally, Lead Chaplain at the RUH, said: "This service, for people of all faiths and spirituality, is a time to come together, to remember and to acknowledge the love that remains for babies who are no longer here."

The event, which will include readings and music, takes place Saturday 13 June at 1pm in the Hilltop Chapel at Haycombe Cemetery, Whiteway Road, Bath, BA2 2RQ.

After the service, attendees are invited to stay for refreshments and, if they wish, walk to the nearby Sands Garden, where there will also be an opportunity to plant small plants in remembrance.

If you would like attend, or want more information about the service, please contact the RUH's Spiritual Care team - ruh-tr.chaplaincy@nhs.net

The Trust offers a full bereavement and support service for grieving parents and families, including a purpose-built bereavement suite that provides the space and privacy they need at a particularly difficult time.

For more information about Sands go to: <https://www.sands.org.uk/>

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Notes to Editor:

At the RUH we're proud to put people at the heart of what we do, striving to create an environment where everyone matters. Everyone means the people we care for, the people we work with and the people in our community.

We provide a wide range of services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.

We also provide specialist services for rheumatology, chronic pain and chronic fatigue syndrome/ME via the Royal National Hospital for Rheumatic Diseases which we acquired in 2015.

In 2021, we acquired Sulis Hospital Bath, an independent hospital that provides care for both private and NHS patients. This has enabled us to provide more care for NHS patients, as well as continuing to provide private care to those who choose it. Any additional income earned through private care is reinvested in services for the benefit of the people we care for at both Sulis and the RUH.

Our new Dyson Cancer Centre brings together many of the RUH's cancer services under one roof to provide a cancer services hub for over 500,000 people in the South West. The centre includes the RUH's oncology, chemotherapy and radiotherapy services, a 22-bed inpatient ward, a dedicated pharmacy, research team and nuclear medicine and physics teams.

A key feature of the new centre is the Macmillan Wellbeing Hub. The three-storey hub provides a welcoming, non-clinical space designed around the needs of patients and their families. It also includes comfortable accommodation where relatives and loved ones can stay overnight.

We work closely with other health and care organisations as members of the Bath and North East Somerset, Swindon and Wiltshire Integrated Care Board. We strive to improve the health and wellbeing of the people in our community by working together build one of the healthiest places to live and work.

We are rated 'Good' by the Care Quality Commission (CQC).

For more information about the Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust visit: www.ruh.nhs.uk