

Press Release

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It's Not Too Late To Sleep Walk!

Organisers of the St Peter & St James Hospice Sleep Walk which is taking place on Saturday 18th July are encouraging ladies who want to take part to send their entry forms in. Entry for the 10km ladies only midnight walk close on Friday 10th July and you cannot enter on the night.

Gill Cronin, Head of Fundraising at the Hospice in North Chailey, said: "The response to this year's event has been fantastic and we've had lots of new ladies signing up. We have already exceeded the 340 walkers that we had last year and there are a few weeks to go until the closing date but I would encourage anybody else who is thinking of entering to send in their forms as soon as possible. Because we are using Olympos Haywards Heath as our base this year there is a limit to the number of Sleep Walkers that we can accept so if you are planning on taking part please send in your entry form as soon as possible to secure a place."

Entry for the Sleep Walk costs £10 which includes a free baseball cap, finisher's memento and breakfast. There is no minimum amount of sponsorship required to take part although walkers are asked to raise as much sponsorship as possible and trophies will be awarded to both the individual and the team who raise the most money. The minimum age for walkers is 10 years old.

For an entry form please call the Fundraising Department on 01444 471598, email fundraising@stpeter-stjames.org.uk, visit www.stpeter-stjames.org.uk or pick one up from the Hospice's charity shops in Burgess Hill, Haywards Heath, Lewes or Uckfield. The Hospice would also like to hear from anybody interested in helping to fill a range of volunteer roles on the night. If you can help please contact Karen Lambert on 01444 470208.

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For further information: Karen Lambert or Gill Cronin on 01444 471598

Notes to Editors: About St Peter & St James Hospice & Continuing Care Centre

Our mission as a registered charity is to provide specialist care, love and support for those living with progressive, life limiting illnesses from East and West Sussex. We will endeavour to meet the needs of each patient, their family and friends. We aim to encourage and enable all patients to live their lives to their full potential despite their illnesses.

We care for patients from Burgess Hill, Haywards Heath, Lewes, Uckfield and the surrounding villages. Last year we provided care for more than 400 patients and their families. All of our Hospice services are free of charge and we receive just 15% of our funding from the Government. This means we have to raise more than £1.3 million every year through fundraising. That's £3,600 every single day.

If you are interested in working or volunteering at St Peter & St James please contact Human Resources on 01444 471598 or visit www.stpeter-stjames.org.uk.

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