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Dear Milly Southworth,

**Re: Cornwall's Centre for Research Innovation's Inaugural Charity Ball**

Royal Cornwall Hospital NHS Trust (RCHT) Research and Development Department (R&D) invite you to the Cornwall's Centre for Research Innovation's Inaugural Charity Ball on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2023 at The Falmouth Hotel.

The Trust aims to offer cutting-edge procedures and novel therapeutics to patients within Cornwall.

Our team work tirelessly to lead a wide variety of clinical studies in medicine and surgery. We have the highest recruitment across the South West Peninsula (2021/22) recruiting 4341 patients.

We are working closely with vital partners to support the development of new drugs and procedures so our patients can receive the latest in innovative healthcare. For some patients this can mean offering new therapeutic options where all the standard available treatments have been exhausted; or novel therapies for a range of conditions where none existed before. This is often done in partnership with other Centres in the UK and Internationally. Indeed, in cancer research, the Royal Cornwall Hospital is already recognised nationally as a leading research centre.

Above and beyond the routine NHS work we all do, this type of research requires the work of a large team of hard-working nurses, research doctors, data managers and administrators and is supported by the help of donations to the RCHT Research Charity Fund.

We endeavour to make the Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust a beacon for research in the Southwest across all disciplines and offer more of our local patients the best opportunities available anywhere in medical and surgical research.

We need your help. Can you support our Research Charity Fund and help us realise these strong ambitions for Cornwall?

Will you join us at the Cornwall's Centre for Research Innovation's Inaugural Charity Ball? With your help we can forge ahead to realise our vision for research in Cornwall.

Tickets and tables for the black-tie event can be purchased here - <https://bit.ly/3u9hTkF>.

This is going to be a fantastic evening with a sumptuous three-course dinner, a testimonial from a local research participant, a grand auction and brilliant live music.

The event aims to support the vision of offering the best possible healthcare to the people of Cornwall. On behalf of the Royal Cornwall Hospitals Trust, we are very grateful for any support of our Research Charity Fund.

If you are unable to join us for this event and would still like to support our ambitions you can do so via this link – <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/cornwallresearch>.

Kind regards,

Bianca Mills  
Head of Research & Development

