




Established as a registered charity in 1992, **Wessex Heartbeat** supports the work of the Wessex Cardiac Centre.


Our aim is to help ensure that all patients receive the best possible care and support during their treatment.


The Centre treats more than 25,000 people each year, including over 1,000 babies and children born with congenital heart disorders. Patients come from across central and southern England, the Channel Islands and the West Country and in the case of children, from throughout the UK. Since 1992, we have raised over £11 million, thanks to the generosity and support of many individuals and organisations. Our achievements to date include:

 The purchase and refurbishment of a 25 bedroom house close to the hospital offering patients' relatives free of charge, 'home-from-home', accommodation whilst their loved ones receive treatment;

 The provision of over £2 million worth of specialist equipment to aid diagnosis and advance cardiac procedures;

 A £1 million refurbishment of the paediatric 'Ocean Ward' making it one of the finest facilities of its kind in the UK;

 The provision of a paediatric intensive care ambulance and revolutionary Babypod to transport the most vulnerable babies from out lying hospitals, to the Centre, in the safest possible environment; and

 The creation of a purpose built conference and training facility within the hospital itself, The Heartbeat Education Centre, which has state-of-the-art technology to underpin the expansion of cardiac facilities and facilitate the training and development of staff.

However, there is always more for us to do and we are already planning our next project, the funding of a Young Adult's Ward within the centre. With your help, we can continue to help improve cardiac care and save lives.

To find out more information about Wessex Heartbeat or to make a donation, please call us on 023 8079 5907 or visit our website at www.heartbeat.co.uk

