

Can you help us?

Fundraising can be great fun, so get involved and you can help us to support about 3,500 families every year. It costs less than £30 to keep a family together for one night.

Fundraising at work

Could you ask your employer to support us? Whether you hold a raffle, auction or dress down day you can enjoy yourself while raising needed funds. Many employers will match fund your efforts so you can make even more of a difference to the families that we support.

Fundraising in the community

There are plenty of other ways you could help us. You could run a marathon, take part in a sponsored cycle ride, or complete a tandem parachute jump. Or perhaps organising a local quiz night, dinner & dance or bake sale is more your cup of tea?

The Big Chocolate Tea Party

Why not join in our annual fundraising campaign and host a chocolate tea party during the month of May with friends and family or organise a chocolate-cake-bake-off at work? Raising money has never been so delicious!

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We would like to help you

We have a dedicated fundraising team who can help with ideas and promotional materials, and a communications team who can promote your fundraising efforts wherever possible.

Where can I get more information about fundraising?

Speak with your House Manager, who can give you more information.

Or you can contact our fundraising team at our head office (see details below) for a chat about your ideas. Our website www.sickchildrenstrust.org also contains information about fundraising with tips to help you along the way.

*Thank you for
your support!*

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The Sick Children's Trust has endeavoured to ensure that all information in this leaflet is correct at the time it went to press. Some details could change as we develop and improve the services that we offer.



Eckersley House

'Home from Home'

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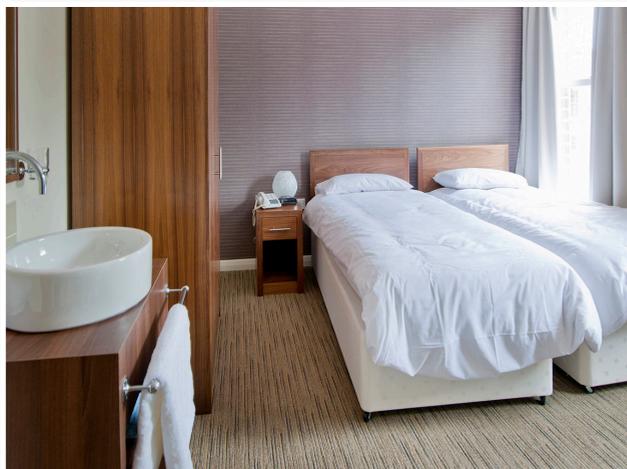
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Eckersley House was originally opened in 1984 at St James's Hospital following a bequest of Robert Eckersley, the late husband of Dolores, father of Mark, Julian, Louise and stepson Simon.

The Sick Children's Trust would like to thank the Eckersley family for the founding of the original Eckersley House and Dolores Halpern (nee Eckersley) for her support of this 'Home from Home' at Leeds Children's Hospital.



In July 2010 Eckersley House was moved from St. James's Hospital to Leeds Children's Hospital. The house helps approximately 530 families every year.

Eckersley House has 23 family bedrooms (4 en-suite), 8 bathrooms, 3 fully equipped kitchen/communal dining areas, 3 well stocked playrooms, 3 shared living rooms and full laundry facilities. There is also a self-contained flat for families and their sick child when recovering from a liver transplant.

Eckersley House is open 365 days a year and can accommodate 23 families a night. Rooms are allocated to families on a priority basis and are offered completely free of charge. We are able to help about 550 families a year.

We are funded solely by voluntary donations from individuals, companies and charitable trusts. The cost of staffing and maintaining Eckersley House amounts to approximately £129,000 a year.

Our 'Homes from Home'

All of our houses vary in size and layout, but families staying in each of our 'Homes from Home' will have:

House Staff for families to turn to when they need someone to talk to or a shoulder to cry on. They are at the heart of our work, responsible for the smooth running of the house and ensuring that parents' needs are met so that they can spend more time with their children.

Facilities for brothers and sisters such as play areas with plenty of toys, books and games to help children feel more at home.

Short distances to the children's wards that enable sick children to spend time with their families in the 'Home from Home' when they are well enough.

Direct telephone lines to the wards in all bedrooms so that parents have peace of mind, knowing that they are only a phone call away from their sick child's bedside.

Private bedrooms where it is safe to leave personal possessions.

Fully equipped kitchens to enable families to enjoy home cooked meals together, an important component of family life.



All our houses:

The Sick Children's Trust provides ten clean, comfortable and secure 'Homes from Home' at eight hospitals throughout the UK:

TREETOP HOUSE
Sheffield Children's Hospital

MAGNOLIA HOUSE
Sheffield Children's Hospital

ECKERSLEY HOUSE
Leeds Children's Hospital

CRAWFORD HOUSE
The Great North Children's Hospital & The RVI
Newcastle upon Tyne

SCOTT HOUSE
Freeman Hospital
Newcastle upon Tyne

ACORN HOUSE
Addenbrooke's Hospital
Cambridge

CHESTNUT HOUSE
Rosie Hospital
Cambridge

RAINBOW HOUSE
Great Ormond Street Hospital
London

GUILFORD STREET HOUSE
Great Ormond Street Hospital
London

STEVENSON HOUSE
Royal London Children's Hospital