

Law firm laces up trainers to raise money for The Sick Children's Trust

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15 enthusiastic runners from international law firm Weil, Gotshal & Manges (London) LLP will be lacing up their trainers on Sunday 8 October to raise money for The Sick Children's Trust.

The team of runners will be racing in London's Royal Parks Half Marathon in a bid to raise funds for the charity which provides free 'Home from Home' accommodation to families with seriously ill children in hospital.

The Sick Children's Trust, which was selected as Weil's 2015-17 charity partnership, runs ten 'Homes from Home' across the UK. Three of its houses are in London and support families with seriously ill children at Great Ormond Street Hospital and The Royal London Children's Hospital. **Head of Pro Bono & CSR at Weil, Rob Powell, says:**

"The Sick Children's Trust gives families with seriously ill children in hospital something so important and vital – it enables them to be with their loved ones at what must be an extremely traumatic time.

"Guilford Street, Rainbow and Stevenson Houses in London help hundreds of families in their darkest hour – many who have to travel for miles from home for their child's lifesaving treatment.

"Every one of us taking part in The Royal Parks Half Marathon is striving to raise over £350 so that more families can be supported by this fantastic charity."

Weil has already raised over £100,000 and will continue to fundraise to help The Sick Children's Trust support families with seriously ill children being treated at hospitals across the UK. **Corporate Partnerships Manager, Charlotte Webster, says:**

"When a child is seriously ill in hospital, it's an incredibly difficult time for the family. The Sick Children's Trust helps ease some of the worries families have by keeping them together by their child's hospital bedside in free 'Home from Home' accommodation.

"It costs the charity £30 to support a family for one night, so we couldn't be more grateful to everyone at Weil who is raising money and taking part in this year's Royal Parks Half Marathon."

For further information about The Sick Children's Trust, please visit <http://www.sickchildrenstrust.org/>

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