

Where do your donations to Cancer Research Go? Rare Chance for the public to attend Brighton & Sussex Medical School Cancer Research Seminar

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If you have ever wondered where donations to Cancer Research charities go, the students from the Brighton & Sussex Medical School are giving the general public the chance to hear first-hand from research scientists.

Each year the students organise a conference and fundraiser, which is one of their main academic events and this year it is being held online which has opened up the event to a wider audience.

The students are from the Oncology, Haematology and Palliative Care (OHP) Society, a student-led society at the Medical School. While the event is celebrating and demonstrating the impact donating has on overall cancer research projects the society has chosen the Sussex Cancer Fund as their beneficiary for their fundraising efforts.

The students chose the Sussex Cancer Fund as they support many cancer research projects locally as well as supporting patients and the Sussex Cancer Centre with much-needed equipment and services.

The COVID pandemic has had a devastating effect on local cancer charity. Unlike other NHS charities, the Sussex Cancer Fund has seen an 80% drop in income over recent months. So this is a very welcome event as it gives the charity a platform to demonstrate the power of their work while also raising some funds. Tickets are just £5 but the MDU (Medical Defence Union) and an Anonymous Benefactor have generously offered to match fund the event meaning the Sussex Cancer Fund will actually receive up to £11 for every ticket sold.

The online event is taking place on Saturday 13th March and tickets are just £5. This is a rare chance to hear first-hand how cancer charities turn donations into life-saving studies including some of those supported by the Sussex Cancer Fund. With 1 in 2 people expected to receive cancer treatment in their lifetime investment in research has never been more needed.

Tickets are available from www.sussexcancerfund.co.uk

or https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/cancer-research-showcase-fundraiser-tickets-141282926035

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