care closer to home

North West Children's Cancer Operational Delivery Network

A service development and innovation proof of concept within Children's Cancer Services.

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Newsletter Breakdown.



- **Care Closer To Home SIOP Presentation. Taking a closer look at the key points in Caroline's exciting presentation in US Texas.**
- **Welcoming Grace as a new member of staff.**
- **Showing our Appreciation for Dave, the man, the myth, the legend!**

Care Closer To Home SIOP.

It's no surprise that Caroline was selected to present at SIOP 2026 in San Antonio, Texas, and what an amazing job she did!

Her presentation captured some of the key principles behind the project: providing clear direction, keeping the focus on what really matters, and, most importantly, continuing to move the project forward. Caroline demonstrated not only the progress we have already made, but also the importance of having a clear vision for where we want to go next.

39.6
Days of time saved for families (199.6 hrs+98 hrs=39.6 days)

54.
CYP enrolled on the Care Closer to Home Project

46.
episodes of care delivered on the Mobile Cancer Care Unit

7,243,4.
Miles saved for families Home Care =5,616.0 miles MCCU=1627.4 miles.

97.7
Of feedback obtained reported thay would reccomend the models as part of their treatment plan

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Grace qualified as a children's nurse from Edge Hill University in December 2020 and has been working her way up the ranks at RMCH ever since, becoming a Ward Sister in paediatric haematology and oncology in April 2025.

Working on the frontline, Grace knows all too well the challenges children and families face during cancer treatment, from long hospital stays to endless trips back and forth. She's passionate about making that journey a little easier and believes care should work around families, not the other way round!

Now, Grace is bringing her experience, compassion and plenty of enthusiasm to the project, helping make care more accessible and bringing treatment closer to home.





Thank you!

"One of the most rewarding and satisfying jobs I've ever had!"

Dave – Our Driver, Fixer, Fundraiser... and Everything Else!

Dave joined CC2H in January 2026 as one of our drivers, bringing with him an impressive 40+ years of experience in the haulage industry.

After getting to know the team and seeing the difference the Mobile Child Cancer Unit can make, Dave now describes CC2H as "one of the most rewarding and satisfying jobs he's ever had."

And driving the truck? Well... that's just the start!

Dave seems to have developed a rather impressive "whatever needs doing" approach. Charity event? Dave's there. Selling cakes? Absolutely. First aid? No problem. Need a netball referee? Dave somehow gets the call! Need a chauffeur? Apparently, he can do that too!

Away from the events, Dave has been working hard behind the scenes, helping to secure locations for the unit, bring in donations from local companies and spread the word about CC2H wherever he goes.
All of this while somehow managing to hold down two other jobs!
We're not entirely sure when Dave actually sleeps... but we're very glad he found his way to CC2H!

His enthusiasm, generosity and willingness to get stuck in have made him a huge part of the CC2H family, and we're incredibly grateful for everything he does.

Get Involved

Project updates and involvement will come through the ODN working groups and via patient and family engagement.

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