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And to our local community, our volunteers and everyone else who supports us by making donations, bequests and helping us out with fundraising events.

### **SYLVESTER BOOKS** THE PURRFECT GIFT

Copies of "Sylvester, The Charity Hospital Cat" and the sequel "Sylvester and the Intruder" can be purchased online at www.charityhospital.org.nz.



# HOW TO HELP

Please help us to help Cantabrians in need by completing the form on this page and posting it to us at: PO Box 20409, Christchurch 8543.

You can also donate online, find out more about our services or volunteer at www.charityhospital.org.nz.



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## CONGRATULATIONS PHIL



Canterbury Charity Hospital Trust co-founder and chairman, Phil Bagshaw.

Congratulations to the Canterbury Charity Hospital Trust's co-founder and chairman Phil Bagshaw who was named as a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit in the New Year's honours list for his services to health.

Phil and his colleagues established the Canterbury Charity Hospital Trust in 2007 to ensure that Cantabrians received their treatment despite being turned down by the public health system and being unable to pay for private treatment.

Establishing and running the Charity Hospital, he says, is a community effort provided by thousands of supporters and hundreds of volunteer workers, many of whom have worked here for years.

"The Charity Hospital gets bigger every year and we continue to alter and change our services depending upon where the greatest need is.'

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Phil has had a long and successful career in health. After arriving in Christchurch from the UK in 1981 Phil held academic positions at the University of Otago's School of Medicine, including five years as the head of surgery and also worked as a general surgeon at the Christchurch Hospital for 30 years. He was also an elected member of the Canterbury District Health Board.

Phil has always been a strong advocate for people in need of medical care who have been turned down by the public health system and opposed the health reforms. This led to roles as chair of the Council of Medical Colleges and of the New Zealand branch of the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons.

He also led a proposal for a national liver transplant unit and chaired the New Zealand Liver Transplant Advisory Group for 14 years.

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Phil and others also formed the Academy of Endosurgery Trust which was involved in teaching and research with the purpose of reducing the risks to patients when laparoscopy surgery was introduced into New Zealand. They also ran a large Australasian study about the use of key hole surgery for bowel cancer.

Phil's wife Sue Bagshaw is also a Trustee of the Charity Hospital and is a very well-known doctor and advocate for youth health. She has also received a Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit.

## NEW MACHINE EASES **PATIENT JOURNEY**

Dental patients no longer have to go offsite for a scan, thanks to the arrival of a new X-Ray in the Charity Hospital's busy oral surgery.

The Hyperion machine provides a 3D scan of the patient's mouth including bone structure and is required by many patients as part of their dental procedure.

"These patients previously had to go off-site for this specialist type of X-Ray at a cost to the Trust. The patients then had to return to the Charity Hospital to have their treatment. Transport can be an issue for our patients so having to make three visits is an added burden for them," says Charity Hospital Executive Officer Carl Shaw.

The number of patients attending at the oral surgery is continually growing and evolving through increased collaborations with various communitybased organisations including the Christchurch City Mission and Work and Income.

The need for an oral surgery was identified by members of Canterbury's NZ Dental Association to help more Cantabrians who are suffering as a result of not being able to receive treatment by the DHB. The new surgery at the Charity Hospital opened in 2017.

"Poor oral health has a huge impact on people and their confidence and can also cause other significant health issues. Our patients are also treated to the extent that they should not need to receive any further treatments for two years," says Carl.

"We're like two bookends!" says Phil. Both are working hard on creating a much-needed youth hub for central Christchurch.

"The most rewarding thing you can do is help those people who would otherwise have to go without care," says Phil.





The oral surgery's new X-ray machine takes a 3D image of the patient's mouth

# **MORE THAN 17,000 VISITS**

Since opening in August 2007 there have been over 17,000 free patient visits to the Canterbury Charity Hospital including:

- 6294 outpatient visits
- 3779 free post-quake counselling sessions
- 2517 oral surgery and dental treatments
- 903 gynaecological procedures
- 1425 general surgery procedures
- 63 vascular procedures
- 128 ophthalmic or eye operations
- 599 endoscopy procedures
- 461 audio or ear procedures
- 465 orthopaedic operations

# SURGEON VOLUNTEERS AT HOSPITAL

Urologist Frank Kueppers is the latest surgeon to volunteer at the Charity Hospital performing vasectomies every second month or, more often, as required.

Frank says it is sad that Canterbury needs a Charity Hospital and that so many needy patients do not even make the waiting list in the public health system.

"The Charity Hospital is a fantastic set-up, very professional and it's great being able to help these people who otherwise wouldn't be seen."

Besides general urology Frank's special interest is the treatment of urologic cancers. This involves open and laparoscopic keyhole surgery as well as brachytherapy and robot assisted surgery.

Frank is involved in the urologic training of surgeons at the Fiji School of Medicine in Suva and frequently travels to the islands throughout the year.

# NO GOVERNMENT FUNDING

The Charity Hospital does not receive any Government funding and requires fundraising of \$880,000 a year to run our free services.

For every dollar donated, 82 cents goes directly towards patient treatment because, with only four staff. costs are kept to a minimum.

Services provided at the Canterbury Charity Hospital continue to change and are frequently updated in response to unmet need within the region.

They currently include colonoscopy (acute and screening), gynaecology and women's health, general surgery (abdominal, rectal), urology, vasectomy, oral surgery and dentistry, counselling (self-referral), orthopaedics (upper limb) and cataract surgery.

To be eligible to be seen at the Charity Hospital, patients have been turned down by the public health system, do not have medical insurance or the means to pay for their treatment privately. They also need a referral from their GP or dentist.



Urologist Frank Kueppers volunteers at the hospital

Frank is a urologist at Christchurch Hospital and as a consultant at Urology Associates. He is also kept busy as a Clinical Senior Lecturer, University of Otago, Christchurch and a trustee of Canterbury Urology Research Trust.



