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## PRESS RELEASE

The Trustees of the Gloucestershire Chest Fund Limited are delighted to announce that a Sonosite ultrasound scanner has recently been purchased for Guiting Ward, Cheltenham General Hospital at a cost of £19,250. The Trustees wish to acknowledge, with most grateful thanks, the financial support received from private donors, local authorities, businesses in the county and charitable trusts that has made this acquisition possible

When further funds have been raised the Trustees are very hopeful of acquiring an additional scanner for use in the Chest Ward at Gloucestershire Royal Hospital.



From the left, Mrs J Astbury, supporter, Mrs F Miles, Glos Chest Fund vice-chair, Dr. A Raghuram and Dr I L Mortimore, consultant chest physicians

Dr. Ian Mortimore says:

“A common problem in many chest diseases is the accumulation of fluids within the chest wall around the lungs. These fluids can gradually compress the lungs leading to shortness of breath and general discomfort. The ultrasound scanner will be used by Guiting Ward staff to indicate the exact position of the fluids before inserting needles and chest drains through the chest wall in order to sample and drain the fluids and improve the symptoms. The Chest Fund’s donation will thus help the NHS Trust to comply with a National Patient Safety Agency recommendation that chest drains are inserted with ultrasound guidance

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