## Emergency Medicine Consultant and Clinical Director **Dr Neil Robinson** says:

"After a stroke, patients can lose a million brain cells a minute. Treatment within three hours means patients are much more likely to recover. In severe head injury, the time from injury to operation is crucial.



Obtaining a timely

CT scan is critical in these and other emergency cases. With a second CT scanner my emergency patients will get the fastest possible scan, whatever time of day. That's why I'm backing the Stars Appeal CT Scanner Campaign."

We need £650,000 to buy the scanner. Please help us raise the money - just complete and return the form overleaf. The NHS will pay for all installation and running costs.



Stars Appeal CT Scanner Campaign Salisbury District Hospital, Salisbury SP2 8BJ 01722 429005 info@starsappeal.org **Sybil** fell down the stairs and fractured her skull. Nicola, Sybil's daughter, says: "They couldn't have known what was wrong with Mum without the CT scanner. To have a second scanner would be great to make sure they can always handle emergencies like ours at midnight."



Sybil and Nicola

**Graham** survived bowel cancer. He says: "I'm supporting the CT Scanner Campaign to thank the consultant who saved my life. With two scanners, more people like me will be able to receive the lifesaving care that I enjoyed. Anything the



saving care that Graham I enjoyed. Anything that can reduce the delay between hearing you have cancer and knowing the full details is better for patients."





### We're raising £650,000

to buy a second CT Scanner for Salisbury District Hospital

# Please will you help us?







## Why does Salisbury need a second scanner?

The existing CT scanner at Salisbury District Hospital already runs at full capacity, providing thousands of scans each year.

A second CT scanner will mean the hospital can do many more scans and make sure scans are always available to patients, even if one scanner is busy or undergoing essential maintenance.

#### What will the benefits be? 1. Waiting times cut by half

Medical staff will be able to:

- Diagnose conditions more quickly, which can save lives
- Treat patients more quickly
- Get results faster, reducing anxiety for patients and their families
- Get patients home from hospital and back to normal life sooner

#### 2. Less need for surgery

The very latest technology and techniques will reduce the need for minor exploratory surgery, with all its possible side effects.

#### 3. Less travelling to other hospitals

No need to travel to other hospitals for your scan.

#### 4. Scans always available

Faster access to scans for patients at all times of the day and night.

#### Who will benefit?

Around 12,000 local people each year including:

- Cancer patients, who will get a faster diagnosis
- Emergency patients, who've had a stroke or life-threatening injury, will get their scan even faster when every second counts
- Heart patients, who can have scans instead of minor operations
- Many others including spinal, orthopaedic, vascular, liver and bowel patients
- Local soldiers and their families
- People of all ages from children to the elderly
- Patients from Wiltshire, Hampshire and Dorset
- Maybe even you or someone you know...



#### What is a CT Scan?

A "computerised tomography" scan. X-rays and a computer create detailed images of the inside of the body. These images are more detailed than standard X-rays. They are key to diagnosing and monitoring a variety of different conditions.

#### **Your donation**

#### I'd like to help by donating to the Stars Appeal CT Scanner Campaign

Please accept my donation of

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Please make cheques payable to 'Stars Appeal' and post with this form to:

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