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REQUEST

Can you provide confirmation that the cough assists and firesticks were bought for the spinal injury centre patients and not for other areas of the hospital.

If I donate money to the Spinal Unit Charitable Fund, does that money remain ringfenced/protected for use by the Spinal Unit and if so how is that achieved and for how long is it protected?

RESPONSE

Yes the firesticks and cough assist medical devices were applied for by staff on the unit or on their behalf and were for use on the unit.

The Charity has a finance system and accounting procedures in place to ensure all donations are allocated to the correct fund. Donations can then only be spent for the purpose of that fund. There is no time limit on how long a donation is 'protected' however it is good practice to spend donations timely and this is encouraged.