

# Beads of Courage for Teenage and Young Adult Cancer Patients



All testimonials and pictures shared with patient and parent consent

# **The Multi-disciplinary Team**

**#TeamHogarth**



**Nurses**

**Doctors**

**Care Support Workers**

**Receptionists**

**Youth Support Worker**

**Student Nurses**

**Housekeepers**



## **Our mission**

In 2020, 79 Teenagers and Young Adults came through our service. More than 25% used and engaged with the Beads of Courage project. We are seeing more and more young people wanting to use Beads of Courage to mark and document their journey with cancer.

We are committed, along with the Teenage Cancer Trust charity, to continue funding and supporting the Beads of Courage project; To use this creative tool to help our young people and their families to navigate the most difficult time in their lives.

We hope that in the future we can encourage and support other paediatric healthcare specialities, such as cardiology and neonatal intensive care to use Beads of Courage to help their patients and families too.

# Testimonials of the impact of Beads of Courage

Beads of courage is a lovely thing to do for all individuals going through a hard / horrible time but lightens - up the hospital visit. It's a nice visual representation of what journey you have faced and overcome. ~~It's also nice for family and friends to see and look back at when treatment has finished. I think that this idea should definitely be expanded and getting it an award would help to boost this. I also think that beads of courage would be good for people with other illnesses or something that entails long & different treatments. If funding could be found and beads of courage could be promoted more and more it would do really good things and help people through their medical journey.~~

“I really liked the Beads of Courage because it’s a good visual representation of my entire journey; it gives me a sense of pride for seeing how much I’ve overcome and its mine to treasure forever!!” - Mariam



“The beads of courage is an incredible positive resource that has helped us as a family come to terms with what is happening whilst importantly boosting Lewis’s morale and giving a quiet incredible young man a voice that shouts so very loud as to what he has and is going through.” -G.Sewell

Featured in the local newspaper





## Video Testimonial



# At Journeys End...

A box of precious memories



The final bead

Teddy bears, locks of hair and hand prints for mum, dad and siblings

or

The end of treatment



Looking forward to the future

\*Thank you any questions.