

News Release

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Surgeon's Gift To Hospice



A South Yorkshire surgeon has helped the soon to launch Bluebell Wood Children's Hospice with a £500 gift, gained during a recent medical congress.

Consultant orthopaedic surgeon at Rotherham General Hospital, Mr Saeed Ali, was attending the British Orthopaedic Association's annual congress in Manchester when he discussed surgical innovations and remedies with Leeds-based business Xiros, designers and manufacturers of minimally invasive medical implants.

Surgeons meeting Xiros at the congress were entered in a prize draw, providing the winner with £500 for the charity of his or her choice. Mr Ali won the prize and immediately nominated the hospice.

Collecting the cheque from Mr Ali, Bluebell Wood director of fund-raising, Greg Oldfield said: "This is a timely gift as the building is almost complete and, subject to satisfactory inspections next month, we expect our first guests by the turn of the year."

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Photography: Pictured at Bluebell Wood Hospice, Mr Saeed Ali (second right) presents the £500 cheque to fundraising director Greg Oldfield, watched by Xiros directors Marcus Orton and David Beevers (right).