Impact Report 2024-2025



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How we began

We are a small but growing charity founded in 2010, and our mission is to break down barriers to World-class radiotherapy so people can live longer and better.

You may have known us as ACORRN - Academic Clinical Oncology and Radiobiology Research Network - and we owe a debt of gratitude to the many dedicated supporters who carried the charity forward until we employed our first member of staff in 2023. Today we are five part-time staff, and nearly 100 incredible volunteers!

Our vision and mission

Every cancer patient who needs radiotherapy gets world-class treatment, at the right place, at the right time.

Radiotherapy UK exists to break down the barriers to world-class radiotherapy. Through trusted information, advocacy, and collaboration with patients and the wider radiotherapy community, we drive change so that everyone can access the treatment they need - at the right place, at the right time.

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It continues to be a huge privilege and a big fight - trying to get a fair break for UK cancer patients. We have cheered as the government pledged £70million for new radiotherapy machines, and sat in silence with people nearing the end of their lives, because treatment came too late.

Our work is far from over, and we will not lose hope.

Sarah Quinlan MBE
Charity Director



Radiotherapy is one our best players in the fight against cancer, so why is it on the bench?

We must invest in this life-saving treatment so it can help cure thousands of UK cancer patients. I was one of the lucky ones. I got the radiotherapy I needed, and it saved my life.

Now I'm campaigning to make sure every UK cancer patient gets the treatment they need, where they need it, and when they need it.

Unnecessary delays in cancer treatment put patients' lives at risk and harms the health of our nation. Let's change this by working together, accepting there is a problem, and taking action to Catch Up With Cancer right now.

I urge our new government and decision makers to get cancer services back in the Premier League.



Bryan Robson OBE,
Radiotherapy UK Patron

Catch up with cancer campaign

Our #CatchUpWithCancer event at Parliament on World Cancer Day 2025 brought together over 20 cancer charities. Together we revealed that more than 500,000 people have faced excessive delays in cancer treatment over the past decade. We were thrilled to be joined by our patron, Bryan Robson OBE, who made everyone's day extra special!

Speaking up for UK cancer patients

We amplified our advocacy work at four major conferences, presenting nationally and internationally; including UKIO, the SCOR Annual Conference, and an International Cancer Expert Corps event at CERN, Switzerland.

In Autumn 2025, the government announced £70 million for replacing radiotherapy machines, reflecting one of our campaign's key calls to action.



Catch up with cancer campaign

Speaking up for UK cancer patients

Our CatchUpWithCancer petition surpassed 624,919 signatures on change.org petition.

We launched our landmark report, Unlocking Modern Radiotherapy, providing critical analysis and recommendations to transform patient access.

Radiotherapy UK continued as secretariat for the All-Party Parliamentary Group for Radiotherapy. Following the election of a new government, the APPG was successfully reconstituted, ending the period with 41 MP members.

The charity supported the development of the first World Radiotherapy Awareness Day



Supporting a skilled workforce

A voice for the radiotherapy workforce

The sixth workforce survey opened, collecting crucial evidence about the reality of delivering radiotherapy in the UK.

Our RTUK Talks series continued to go from strength to strength; attracting 1,221 registrations and generating 479 YouTube views.

Our Ambassadors' Network grew significantly, with more than 50 members of the radiotherapy workforce supporting our campaign, advocacy and patient information work.

The Ambassadors' Network has given me a unique space to build meaningful personal and professional connections with like-minded, driven individuals - which is incredibly powerful. As a collective, alongside the charity, we have a stronger platform where our voices carry further; enabling us to raise awareness, shape policy, and educate others. It's inspiring to be part of something so positive.

Katy Cooper

Our 2024 survey found:

71%

of managers say they do not have enough staff to meet current demand for treatment

81%

of managers say they do not have enough staff to meet rising future demand



Supporting a skilled workforce

Celebrating workforce achievements

Ambassador Dom Withers marked 25 years as a radiotherapy physicist with written reflection.

"To sum up – it's never been boring, and the pace of change is unlikely to slow down. But thriving on the challenges of change is essential for ensuring we can continue to offer the best treatments for patients. The change is so relentless that at times I crave just a little boredom: perhaps that will have to wait until retirement!"

Ambassador, Naman Julka-Anderson was honoured with four major awards, further highlighting his remarkable contributions to allied health professions and promoting equality, diversity, and inclusion (EDI).

Ambassador and student radiographer Connor 'CJ' Parish launched The student Radiographer podcast with his peers, Rebekah and Alice; before graduating with a First Class degree.

Yvette, Sam and Katy from the Ambassadors' Network were all top fundraisers in our Miles4Radiotherapy summer challenge.



Trusted patient information

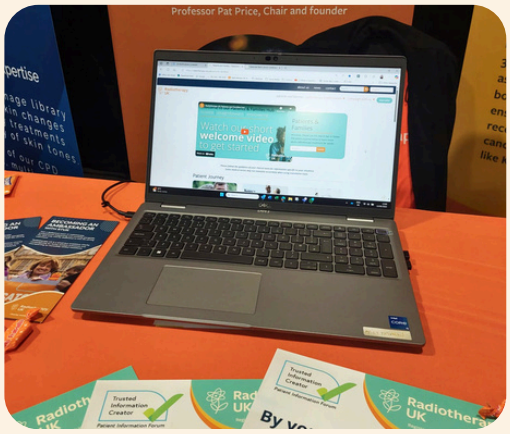
Creating trusted information for patients and families

We launched our Patients and Families Online Hub – a major milestone packed with resources to support patients and their loved ones throughout the radiotherapy pathway.

Working with clinicians and patients, we published more than 45 information resources, ensuring clarity and accessibility for those navigating treatment.



Trusted Information Creator
Patient Information Forum



We successfully renewed our PIF TICK accreditation following rigorous independent assessment – maintaining our status as a trusted information creator and holding the UK's only assessed quality mark for health and care information.

Centering patient experience

Taking part in our patient engagement group

I've participated in a number of these sort of groups in the four years since I finished treatment.
And I have to say that I think this is one of the best, certainly the most rewarding I've done.
I think the structure and the people has made it an absolute pleasure.
I think that the 10 year vision plan that Radiotherapy UK have put together is awesome.
And I think that by giving us specific areas of work that we can look at with our lived experience, rather than just throwing everything out there and letting anyone talk about anything; this has focused our efforts on the key issues, which I think is what's needed.

John

And I think for me, it's been healing. I have found doing this with all of you actually healing from my own experience and what I went through and that there is a constructive place to put that, that you you can give back, that you can help others, hopefully, you know.
I feel very strongly about wanting to turn a really difficult and negative experience into something really positive.
I think that is what helps me heal from what happened to me and and this has allowed me to be a part of that.
So that's really wonderful.

Zoe

Sharing experiences of cancer

Reaching out through the impact of cancer

Although I have gone over the last two years in my head, to speak about it for the video was cathartic perhaps as the act of saying out aloud what has previously been in my head or expressed in small parts was relieving. It also made me think I need to find the outlets to talk more with my Head and Neck cancer peers! Early on in my treatment I thought I would like to communicate my experience, especially to people newly diagnosed. I hope this happens through the video and maybe there will be more opportunities to support others as I would have liked that opportunity soon after my diagnosis.'

Marcus

More than 1,000 people have viewed Marcus' video interview with Radiotherapy UK, where he shares the reality of tonsil cancer, treatment, and its impact on his daily life.



Radiotherapy UK in numbers

1.2k



Four RTUK Talks captured 1,221 registrations and 479 YouTube views; providing valuable learning opportunities for the radiotherapy workforce.

624k



Our CatchUpWithCancer petition surpassed 624,919. The petition was co-founded by our Chair, Professor Pat Price, and the Russell family

56k



Our website welcomed 56,000 new users, a 40% increase driven by the launch of our Patients and Families online hub

6



Six brilliant new Board members joined our team, bringing fresh expertise to strengthen leadership and oversight.

41



We continued as secretariat for the All Party Parliamentary Group for Radiotherapy, ending the period with 41 MP members.

10%



Nearly 10% of the radiotherapy workforce responded to our annual survey for professionals; contributing valuable insights.

30



Ten patient reviewers and 20 clinical reviewers supported the development of high-quality patient information resources.

50



Our Ambassadors' Network was refreshed, welcoming fifty fabulous members of the workforce to champion best practice development across the UK.

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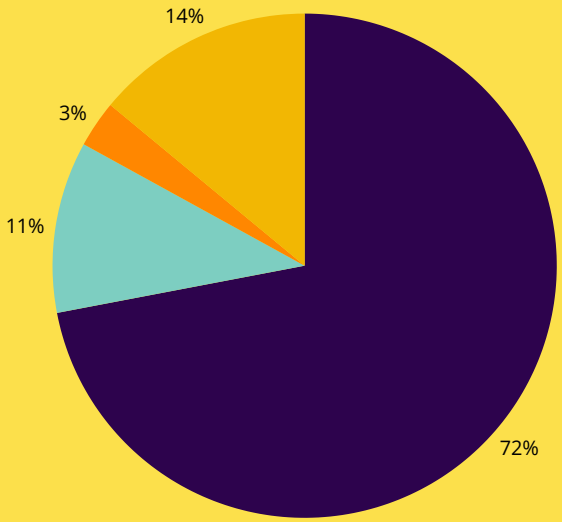
382 supporters joined our annual Miles4Radiotherapy fundraiser - collecting 100k miles and raising £15k for our Patients and Families online hub.

Our revenue for 2024-2025*

In our financial year 2024–25, we brought in £214,611 and spent £201,658; closing the year in a healthy position, with reserves of £163,577. Our income included some wonderful one-off gifts, including two generous legacies, which helped us go further this year. We're building sustainably for the future, with two new team members joining us - and every pound spent goes directly towards breaking down the barriers to world-class radiotherapy.

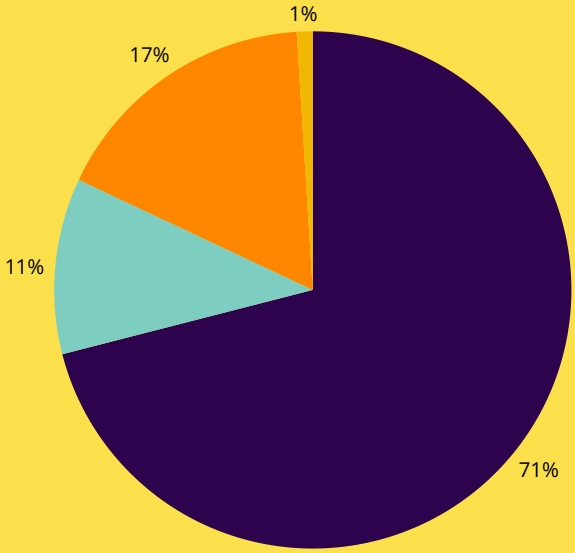
Income £214,611

- Corporate
- Legacies
- Community
- Trusts & Grants



Expenditure £201,658

- Charitable activities
- Governance
- Income generation
- Loan



*based on 2024 to 2025 FY accounts for Radiotherapy UK

With sincere thanks to you

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Our work is bigger and better thanks to every single supporter.

Make it meaningful

All of our supporters are different, with one common aim, to help UK cancer patients live longer and better. Whether you're looking for a team event with your colleagues; a way to leave a legacy, or something fun to connect the family, we can help.

Sponsorship packages

We can offer flexible and attractive sponsorship packages perfect for your company. You will have a dedicated team member who will ensure you and your team are kept up to date with the amazing difference your sponsorship is making. We will work closely with you to understand the needs of your business and what motivates your team, to ensure you meet your ESG goals.

Making memories

There are lots of fun ways you can get involved. From taking part in our virtual Miles4Radiotherapy challenge, to supporting our campaign events for #CatchUpWithCancer, or setting up a unique challenge of your own. We are here to support your fundraising efforts and show you the impact of your efforts.

Leaving a legacy

In the past year, legacies have made a huge impact in supporting us to support UK cancer patients. We are so grateful to anyone who chooses to leave us a gift in their will, and proud to carry on your memory through our work.



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