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HOSPICE TEAM'S FUNDRAISING FREEFALL!

Four members of staff from The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice went literally above and beyond the call of duty on Friday as they stepped out of an aircraft at 10,000ft as part of a fundraising parachute jump to raise funds for the Glasgow charity.

The team included Director of Clinical Services Jackie Husband, Staff Nurse Dylan McCall and fundraisers Maisie Hamilton and Amy Smith. They also managed to persuade family and friends to join them in the jump, which involves a tandem freefall at over 120mph before the parachute is released.

Jackie, who was also joined by daughter Emma, 17, said:

"We are always amazed by how much effort our supporters put into fundraising for the Hospice, and it seemed only fair that we also got involved. The lead up to the jump was pretty nerve wracking, but the knowledge that we would be raising money to support Hospice patients definitely helped me step out of the plane!"

The intrepid Hospice team are hoping the jump, which took place at Strathallan Skydive Centre, will raise over around £3,000 which will go towards providing free of charge care and support for Hospice patients and their families.

This is just one of many ways that you could support Glasgow's Hospice, please visit www.ppwh.org.uk or call 0141 429 5599 to find out more.

Picture caption 1: The Freefalling Fundraisers get ready for their big jump. *(Pictured from left to right: Karin Jackson, Emma Husband, Wesley Smith, Dylan McCall, Jackie Husband, Susan McGregor, Amy Smith and Maisie Hamilton)*

Notes to Editor:

The Prince & Princess of Wales Hospice, situated on the river Clyde in Glasgow, exists to help our patients with life-limiting and terminal illness achieve the best quality of life possible in whatever time remains for them. This is done by providing clinical, emotional, social and spiritual care and support for patients, their families, children and carers. All care is free of charge with annual running costs for the

Hospice will reach £4 million this year of which £2.6 million must come from fundraising and voluntary donations.

In March the Hospice announced plans to build a new facility in Glasgow, due for completion in 2016. In addition to enhancing existing services for adults, it will also encompass a specialist palliative care service for young people aged between 15-25.

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