## The Sam Buxton Sunflower Healing Trust

Reg Charity Number 1115614



Created in 2006 with funds from The NHS Healer

'Providing a Ray of Light To Cancer Patients and their Carers'

Providing Funds to NHS and Other Cancer Related Care

## Steps to 2014

1987 Mum

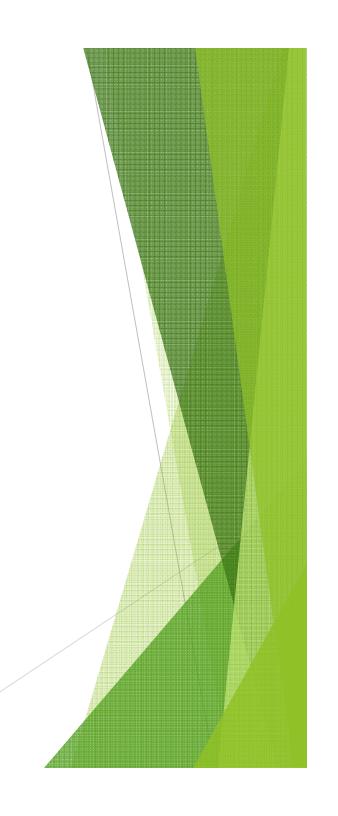
1987-1995 My development

1995 Sam

1999 Hospital Healing

2004 The NHS Healer

2006 Charity created



## SBSHT Projects since 2006

#### SBSHT have 'pump primed' 26 posts at:

- University College London Hospital
- Addenbrookes Cambridge
- Princess Alexandra's Epping
- Kent & Canterbury Hospital
- Queen Elizabeth Hospital Welwyn Garden City
- St Josephs Hospice Hacking yay of Light for Cancer Patients
- St Mary's Hospice Ulverston
- Furness General Hospital in Barrow

New projects for 2014 are ; Eden Valley Hospice, Wigan Hospital and Plymouth Hospital in the Paediatrics Unit.

# BMA Definition of Complementary and Alternative Medicine

"Those which can work alongside, and in conjunction with, conventional medicine."

(B.M.A,1993 p6)



# House of Lords Report on Group 2 Therapies

"We are satisfied that many therapies listed in our Group 2 give help and comfort to many patients when used in a complementary sense to support conventional medical care"

"In relieving stress, in alleviating side effects (for example of various forms of anti-cancer therapy) and in giving succour to the elderly and in palliative care they often fulfil an important role".

Group two - "therapies most often used to complement conventional medicine and do not purport to embrace diagnostic skills."

Alexander technique

Aromatherapy

Bach flower remedies

Bodywork therapies, including Massage

Counselling stress therapy

Healing (often known as Energy

Healing/Reiki)

Hypnotherapy

Maharishi Ayurvedic Medicine

Meditation

Nutritional medicine

Reflexology

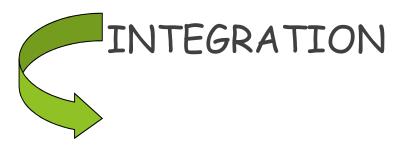
Shiatsu

Yoga

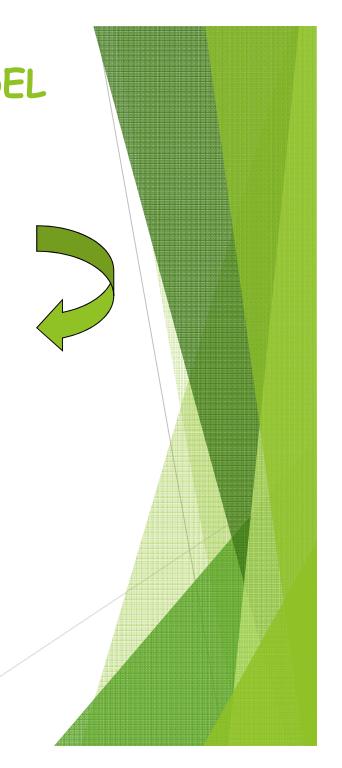


### POSITIVE EMPOWERING MODEL

CHOICE



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#### How much does this cost SBSHT

Approximately £6K per year will provide a therapist for 1 day a week for a year this is based on band 5 pay scale

This will improve the quality of life for cancer patients and their families

#### Benefits for Centres

- ▶ Time an additional person in the unit
- Support to the whole unit healing available for patients, carers and staff
- Reduces patient anxiety -> improves their overall compliance to treatment and reduces side effects
- Needle phobia and collapsed veins -> good qualitative evidence that canulation is easier when a healer is in attendance reducing stress for patient and staff.



# Qualitative studies have shown healers can help with....

- Needle phobia/ collapsed veins
- Fatigue
- Anxiety
- Nausea
- Sleep problems
- Pain



"Carry me this way"
Michele Angelo
Petrone

## Anytime, Anyplace, Anywhere!

- Energy Healing is totally flexible no additional equipment or props necessary
- Energy Healing is a gentle, non invasive therapy, where the therapist channels energy through their hands to the client
- Healing can be given by placing hands on or off the person's body
- The client remains clothed and can receive the healing sitting in a chair or lying in a bed

#### Treatment Locations

- Therapy Room
- · Day Care
- Outpatients
- Isolation Ward
- Intensive Care Unit
- · Beds single rooms and open wards
- Radiotherapy

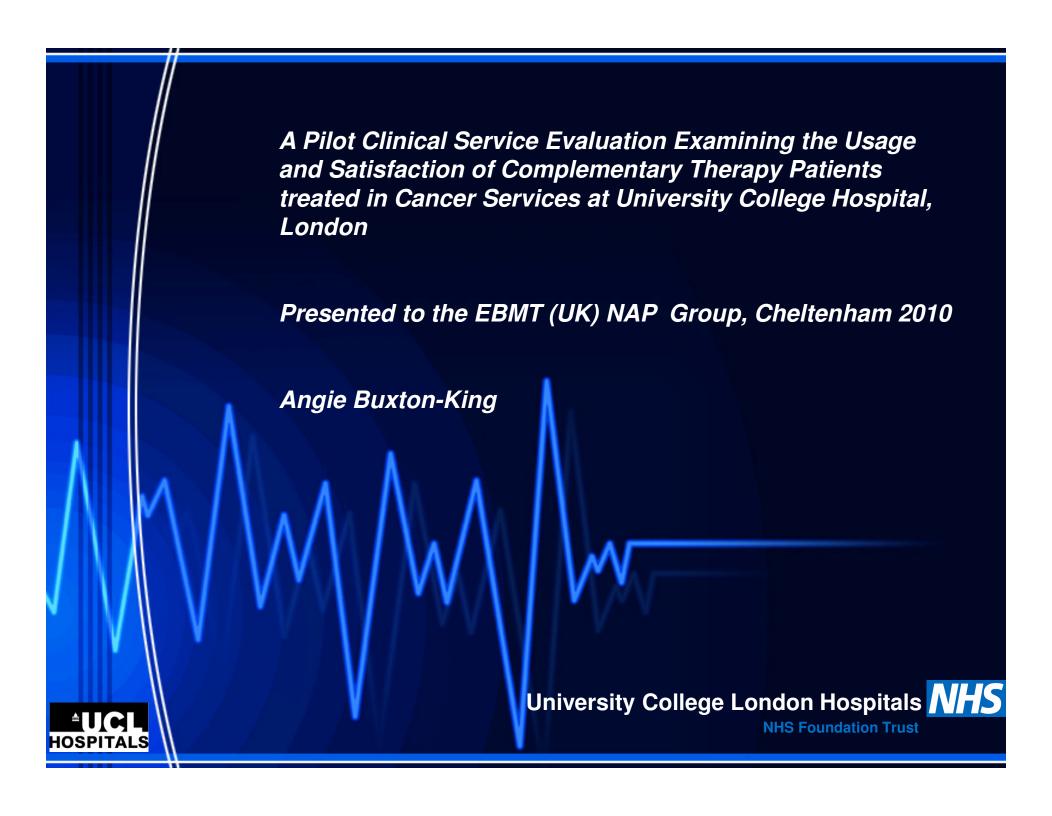
# A Patients Journey





# Is a Rollercoaster.....





"I've been lying here all the time thinking that I'm going to die. Now I feel lifted and my perspective is totally different – like I'm not going to die now."





"Our Son benefits from it a great deal, he handles scans 100% better & really enjoys the sessions - he's only 2 and a half; we as parents know it has helped him and we would recommend it 100%"





"I'm very happy such a service is offered alongside 'standard western' treatments. The range is encouraging, the staff very friendly and approachable. I'm fortunate in that whatever treatment/therapy I receive I usually enjoy a positive outcome, whether it is a short reduction in pain, or the relief of being able to rest more easily for a while"



University College London Hospitals NHS

**NHS Foundation Trust** 

"Such a good idea & valuable tool especially when having chemotherapy. Helps keep you feeling positive which is very important in my fight for recovery"



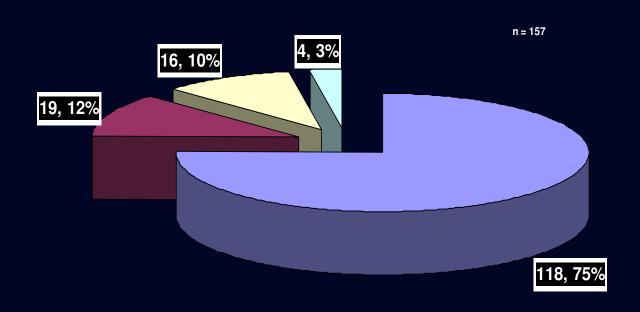


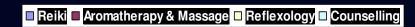
"This service is a lifeline for me; I don't know what I'd do without it"





#### **Complementary Therapy By Type**







University College London Hospitals NHS

**NHS Foundation Trust** 

#### **Summary:**

- 100% of the respondents who commented upon their experiences were positive about complementary therapy (111, 71%); however, 29% (46) of respondents did not make a comment, of these a small percentage (12, 11%) recorded a lower rating for reuse (≤ 8).
- Limitations include: the 'snap-shot' nature of this kind of survey, the sample group was self-selecting and practitioner bias was not controlled. Despite this, a picture emerges of great satisfaction with both the availability of complementary therapies and the high standard of delivery at UCH.
- There clearly continues to be significant demand for these therapies, and further research is needed to assess the level of agreement with these findings from across the UK and Europe.





Healer works at the patient's bedside



# PAIN

- Physical
- Emotional
- Spiritual



"The Pain of it all" Michele Angelo Petrone

#### Benefits for Patients

- ► Reduces Anxiety helps relieve symptoms of stress
- ► Calms the patient:
  - may be more receptive to receiving treatment
  - helps reduce feelings of fear, irritability, concern

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- improves ability to cope with pain
- assists with side effects including nausea, constipation and diarrhoea.
- can stimulate appetite build strength

# How can hospitals or cancer centres gar funding?

- ► SBSHT is contacted by the hospital or centre
- We will visit the centre to see how and where the therapist will be working with patients
- ► If the project is agreed SBSHT will donate funds into any suitable NHS or related fund
- ► The recruiting manger will advertise the post
- Quarterly reports access impact of service

# How can I as a therapist work in one of the projects?

- You will need to hold a full healer certificate with 2 years post certificate experience
- Therapist to approach Hospital to gain interest(recommend further training)
- Following a successful approach; centre to approach SBSHT for funds
- Post will be advertised via NHS jobs

## Make sure you have considered;

Is this the right setting for you as a therapist?

 Get experience of this subject by attending courses or volunteering or both!

Be passionate focussed and driven

Don't take no for an answer!

#### The Guild of Professional Healers

- Created in 2008 and asset linked into SBSHT
- Membership & Training provider for Energy, Reiki and Spiritual Healing
- Unique provider of training for those healers who wish to work in Hospitals /Hospices (CPD training)
- The Guild's standards seek to improve and lay foundations for healers in all areas of health care, in both the private and public sectors.
- Focussed and professional. We believe that all healers, in whatever professetting, need to be safe and competent in their practice.

## Membership benefits

- One membership fee that covers Reiki , Energy Healing or Spiritual Healing
- ► An excellent insurance package with Balens
- Members will be alerted to vacancies created by our charity
- Access to a library of research articles relating to Healing.
- Discounted rates on Continuing Professional Development (CPD)
- After interview, healers can be listed on our 'Find a Healer' data base
- Have access to advice by healers who are leaders in the field of building bridges between complementary and conventional medicine

## Membership pathway

- Complete application form
- ► Telephone interview by Guild Director
- Welcome applicants from other organisations
- No prior learning lost as APEL and Grand parenting in place

### **Training**

- ► Energy Healing -NOS 2 years
- ► Reiki -NOS -9 months
- Healing in Hospitals & Hospices 2 day course
- Delivering CT in a Statutory Setting -1 day Course

## A summary of events to date

- > SBSHT is successfully working in partnership with NHS trusts and cancer centres
- Energy Healing / Reiki has been an important part of patients care for over 10,000 patients, carers and staff since SBSHT was created in 2006
- ▶ Such a success that we need more funds NOW!
- We continue to uphold NOS standards for Reiki and Energy Healing

# The Healing Touch



"I need to know that this body is my body.

And I need to know everything that is happening to my body.

But most of all I need to know that you know that within my body there is me."

Michele Angelo Petrone



You are welcome to seek me out and ask further questions during the day



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