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Marathon effort raises cash for patients

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust's Hayley Biggs has earned her London Marathon medal. She completed the 26 mile course in 3 hours 50 minutes, a personal best time.

She also raised £2,500 for specialist medical equipment – smashing her initial target of £1,500.

Hayley said: “It was an amazing day. The atmosphere was really, really good. I think it would be hard to top it.

“The crowd were amazing, I had strangers calling my name because it was on my tee-shirt.

“I’m really proud of the amount of money I have raised. It will go to equipment which will help patients with their rehabilitation.”

Hayley, 27, is a technical instructor, giving both physiotherapy and occupational therapy to patients in their own homes in the Hinckley and Bosworth area.

She was able to take part in the run because the London Marathon organisers offered a place to Raising Health, LPT's charitable arm, for the first time this year.

Most of the money will be used to buy a Saebomas arm support for patients



who have reduced movement following a stroke. The Saebomas arm support takes the weight of the patient's upper limb, enabling them to practise their movements and build up their arm strength.

You can still sponsor Hayley at: www.virginmoneygiving.com/hayleybiggs .

Note to editors

Leicestershire Partnership NHS Trust (LPT) provides a range of health and wellbeing services mainly for people living Leicester, Leicestershire and Rutland. The Trust serves a population of one million, has a budget in excess of £267 million and employs approximately 5,400 staff. For more information visit www.leicspart.nhs.uk.

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