



ROYAL MEDICAL  
*Benevolent Fund*

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## President's Appeal 2009

In my first Annual Appeal to colleagues as President of the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund I want to express my thanks to Sir Barry Jackson, my predecessor, who stood down last year after six years as President and whose Appeals have been widely read and have resulted in generous donations to the Fund during that time.

I have every hope and expectation that you will be equally responsive to my Appeal this year. As Barry anticipated when he encouraged me to become President of the Fund I was surprised to find that its work is still of vital importance to a section of the medical profession whose numbers are increasing rather than diminishing and which we expect will grow in the difficult financial times we are all now experiencing.

It was a real shock to me to learn how many doctors and their families are leading lives of quiet desperation as a result of accident, illness, career crisis or other major problems. This shock was lessened only by learning more about the Fund's range of activities, from financial assistance and professional money advice, to information and emotional support from skilled staff and volunteers, providing a confidential and compassionate safety net for colleagues in times of great difficulty.

At this time of year we are all conscious of our own family responsibilities, and the care and support that the Fund gives to the families of doctors who are in need is an integral part of our work.

As part of the wider professional "family" of medicine please consider seriously making a donation to support the vital work of the Fund and accept my sincere thanks and warm best wishes.

Dame Deirdre Hine DBE FFPH FRCP  
*President*

**To make a contribution to the Fund's work please complete the form overleaf  
and send it to us or use the secure online donation page at [www.rmbf.org](http://www.rmbf.org)**

# Donation form

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## 1 Your details

Title ..... First Name ..... Surname .....

Address .....

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..... Postcode .....

Telephone ..... Email .....

## 2 Donation

I wish to support the RMBF annual appeal by making a donation of:

£20       £30       £50       Other £ .....

I enclose a cheque payable to Royal Medical Benevolent Fund

I would like to make my donation by credit or debit card as follows

Please debit my Switch/Visa/Mastercard (delete as appropriate), card number:

Three-digit security code       Issue number ..... (Switch only)

Start date ..... Expiry date ..... Signature .....

## 3 Make your support go further

I am a UK taxpayer and would like the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund to reclaim the tax on all my donations made in the past six years, and all future donations

Note that this Gift Aid declaration will only apply if you are paying income and/or capital gains tax at least equal to the amount that the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund will recover in the tax year. This declaration can be withdrawn at any time by notifying the RMBF

Date .....

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## 4 Stay in touch with the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund

Yes, I would like to receive acknowledgement

Yes, I would like RMBF communications about future activities by email  by post

I would prefer not to receive any communications from the Royal Medical Benevolent Fund

## 5 Return this form

To: Finance Department, Royal Medical Benevolent Fund, 24 King's Road, Wimbledon, London SW19 8QN

## 6 THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

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