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SOCIETY'S MUSEUM TO TAKE PART IN ROYAL FREE ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

Collections from the museum of the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain will be on display at the Royal Free Hospital in London as part of its 175th anniversary celebrations on Thursday 17 April.

The Royal Free originally opened in 1828 as a dispensary and in recognition of this the theme of the day will be the history of pharmacy. The activities and displays provided by the Society will be based around historical objects from the dispensary and sick room. Museum staff will be on hand encouraging visitors to try their hand at pill making, using a pill machine and rounder. Young children will be able to try the "Pharmacy Challenge", matching up images of well known pharmacy objects with their descriptions.

Briony Hudson, keeper of the Society's museum collection, said: "We're really pleased that the Royal Free has chosen to go back to its origins and celebrate its 175th anniversary with a focus on the history of pharmacy. This is a great opportunity for us to take the pharmacy's past out to the public and we look forward to working with the hospital to make the 17 April an enjoyable and informative day for visitors to the event."

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The event, open to staff, patients and the public, will take place between 11.00am and 4.00pm on Thursday 17 April, in the Atrium of the Royal Free Hospital, Pond Street, London NW3 2QG. Entry is free.

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