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Thumbnail	Name	Date	Size	Description	Find out more online
	Paramedic Bicycle	C.2000	1008 mm x 1740 mm x 615 mm	This bicycle was used during the trial of the London Ambulance Cycle Response Unit in 2000. The trial was a success, and the unit now respond to 30,000 calls a year and average six minutes getting to a scene.	<a href="https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8554574/paramedic-bicycle-paramedic-bicycle">https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8554574/paramedic-bicycle-paramedic-bicycle</a>
	'Model 1' EPIC, (electrically propelled indoor chair), Thames Ditton, England, 1973-1976	1973-1976	940 mm x 550 mm x 870 mm	This is a left-handed NHS issue 'EPIC (Electrically Propelled Indoor Chair) chairmobile'. It is a 1972 design that was exhibited at the London Design Festival in 2003.	<a href="https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8079666/model-1-epic-electrically-propelled-indoor-chair-thames-ditton-england-1973-1976-electrically-propelled-indoor-chair">https://collection.sciencemuseumgroup.org.uk/objects/co8079666/model-1-epic-electrically-propelled-indoor-chair-thames-ditton-england-1973-1976-electrically-propelled-indoor-chair</a>

	<p>Bed specially designed for those with epilepsy, London, England, 1851-1920</p>	<p>1851-1920</p>	<p>920 mm x 1980 mm x 845 mm</p>	<p>This bed was designed in the mid-1800s to help protect people with epilepsy from injury during a seizure. It has sides strong enough to keep the person contained but remained soft enough so that it would not cause injury.</p>	<p><a href="https://collection.science-museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co120550/bed-specially-designed-for-those-with-epilepsy-london-england-1851-1920-hospital-bed">https://collection.science-museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co120550/bed-specially-designed-for-those-with-epilepsy-london-england-1851-1920-hospital-bed</a></p>
	<p>Vaccination lancet</p>	<p>1822-1869</p>	<p>4 mm x 87 mm x 32 mm</p>	<p>This unusual vaccination lancet was used to carry out arm-to-arm vaccination which was made illegal in 1898 as it could transmit disease due to the direct contact of bodily fluids required. The sanitized injections of today are much safer!</p>	<p><a href="https://collection.science-museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co147133/vaccination-lancet-london-england-1822-1850-lancet">https://collection.science-museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co147133/vaccination-lancet-london-england-1822-1850-lancet</a></p>
	<p>Leech jar</p>	<p>1831-1859</p>	<p>overall: 510 mm x 245 mm x 220 mm</p>	<p>Leeches were once a popular tool for 'blood-letting', which was thought to cure a range of conditions. The treatment was so popular in the 1830s that supplies ran short! They are still used today to reduce swelling after some surgeries.</p>	<p><a href="https://collection.science-museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co136045/leech-jar-england-1831-1859-leech-jar">https://collection.science-museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co136045/leech-jar-england-1831-1859-leech-jar</a></p>

	'Rathbone' dental unit	1946-1955	length 610 mm; min: width 700 mm; height 2010 mm	This type of dental unit was made to meet the sudden demand of dentistry once it was made a free NHS treatment in 1948. This unit was used in the early days of the NHS, but it looks very similar to what is used today.	<a href="https://collection.science-museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co100250/rathbone-dental-unit-england-1946-1955-dental-unit">https://collection.science-museumgroup.org.uk/objects/co100250/rathbone-dental-unit-england-1946-1955-dental-unit</a>
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