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### Can you give us a brief outline of your work history?

I work as a Cardiac Physiologist within the Southern Trust's Cardiac Investigations department. Prior to this, I worked in the administrative sector.

### What made you decide this career path?

I decided to take a completely different career path in 2014 as I was interested in working within the hospital environment with patients and being a part of their care pathway.

### How did you train for this role/educational route?

I studied for three years at Ulster University after completing a one-year adult access course and gained a 2:1 in Healthcare Science BSc (Cardiac Physiology).

### What qualities are required for your job – personal and professional?

Punctuality – ensuring clinics run on time, and patients are waiting no longer than necessary for their tests.

Communication – verbal and non-verbal communication with patients and the multi-disciplinary team.

Teamwork – helping colleagues to ensure the smooth running of the department.

Trust and empathy – ensuring patients and fellow colleagues feel safe and confident in my ability to provide a high level of service.

### What does a typical day involve?

Every day can vary. It may involve one-to-one ECG clinics, ambulatory clinics, exercise stress testing, myoviews and analysing ambulatory results. I deal with a variety of patients, from new-borns to the elderly.

### What do you like best about your job?

I enjoy the face-to-face interaction with the variety of patients, and every day is different.

### What advice would you give anyone thinking of doing your job?

It is a very rewarding role that can lead to numerous paths. There are opportunities to train and learn further in a variety of jobs within the cardiac sector.