



Colette Longstaffe

Registered General Nurse - Adult

Expert Witness



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**Tissue Viability Nurse Expert Witness**

**Registered Nurse- Adult, BA (Hons) Community HealthCare Nursing,  
Specialist Practitioner (District Nursing)**

## **General Background**

A registered nurse who qualified in 1994, Colette has a clinical background in District Nursing, Chronic Disease Management, Tissue Viability, and is also a non-medical prescriber. She has experience and qualifications in the management of chronic and acute wounds, including pressure ulcers, leg ulcers, burns, post-operative/dehiscid wounds, and malignancies. Her practice has primarily taken place within Community healthcare settings, including patients' homes, nursing homes, community hospitals, GP practices, university settings, and mental health services. Up until the end of January 2026, Colette held a national clinical and quality assurance role with NHS Supply Chain, focusing on the safety and performance of medical devices and healthcare products, including those for wound assessment prevention and management. She led, developed and implemented processes to embed Human Factors principles within the organisation's quality assurance, with an emphasis on patient safety and service improvement. Colette is currently continuing to develop her Expert Witness role with AMG Medico Legal Limited and will be undertaking the Bond Solon Expert Witness Training in May 2026. She is currently seeking new opportunities to expand her portfolio in nursing and related fields.

## **Work History**

### **NHS Supply Chain - Clinical Quality Assurance Specialist May 2018 to January 2026**

- Provision of expertise, knowledge and advice of best practice methodologies, regulatory requirements, policy imperatives, innovation and technological developments including the utilization of stakeholder knowledge advice to the commercial procurement colleagues.

### **Department of Health-Clinical Evaluation Team (Secondment) - Clinical Specialist Lead September 2017 to May 2018**

- Project lead for wound care products used by NHS Clinicians involving Engagement with stakeholders and producing nationally published reports.

### **Lincolnshire Community Health Services NHS Trust – Clinical Nurse Specialist Tissue Viability July 2009 to September 2017**

- Provision of specialist knowledge and care for the management of patients with complex tissue viability needs
- Coordination of patient care across secondary care and private sectors
- Development and review of policies in line with national and international guidance
- Partnership across all clinical areas within the Trust, including Infection prevention and control to ensure continuity and standardisation of evidence best practice
- Scrutiny of reported serious incidents and subsequent investigation and review of community nursing practice using root cause analysis to identify lessons learned and formulation of actions plans to continuously improve patient care

### **Lincolnshire Primary Care Trust - Complex Case Manager - June 2008 to July 2009**

- Management of a caseload of patients with chronic disease within their own homes to promote self-management and to prevent avoidable hospital admission

### **District Nurse - April 2003 to June 2008**

Management of caseload of patients within the community setting with an extensive range of physical psychological and social needs

Autonomous assessment of patients and implementation of evidenced based care planning for patients in their own home and within a clinic setting

### **West Lincolnshire PCT - Community Staff Nurse - September 1994 to April 2003**



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## Professional Qualifications

- Diploma in Nursing (Adult) - Nottingham University 1994
- BA (Hons) Community Health Care Nursing - First class Honors 2001
- ENB Specialist Practitioner (District Nursing) Incorporating nurse prescribing 2001
- Non-Medical Prescribing level 6 - 2009

## Training

- Human Factors Healthcare Learning Pathway - level 2 2022
- Clinical History Taking and Physical Examination level 6 -2017
- Debridement of Wounds – Master’s level -2014
- Managing Chronic Oedema – level 6 – 2012
- Tissue viability Contemporary theory and practice level 6 -2006
- Cancer care level 6 - 2006
- Contemporary Professional Practice in Leg Ulcer management 2004
- ENB 931 Palliative care 1997
- ENB 998 Teaching and assessing in Clinical Practice 1996

## Areas of Clinical Practice

- Assessment, management/treatment of wounds including:
  - Chronic wounds and acute wounds
    - Pressure ulcers (assessment, preventive strategies and treatment)
    - Moisture associated skin damage (MASD)
    - Leg ulcers
    - Chronic Odema and Lymphoedema
    - Burns
    - Post-operative wounds including dehisced wounds
    - Malignant wounds

## EXPERT WITNESS BACKGROUND

Associated with AMG Medico Legal limited (formerly AMG Consultancy Services Limited) since 2025, acting in the capacity of expert witness in a specialist field of tissue viability nursing. Able to utilise professional skills and experience to facilitate report writing, and the development of skills to prepare expert witness reports.

*(Colette has completed the Bond Solon certificated legal training courses: “**Excellence in Report Writing**” and “**Courtroom Skills – Witness Familiarisation.**”)*

## MEMBERSHIPS

Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC)  
Member of the Royal College of Nursing