

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/dehisced 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.

Colette currently holds a national clinical and quality assurance role with NHS Supply Chain, focusing on the safety and performance of healthcare products, including those for wound management. She leads work to embed Human Factors principles within the organisation's quality assurance processes, with an emphasis on patient safety and service improvement.

Work History

NHS Supply Chain - Clinical Quality Assurance Specialist

May 2018 to Present

 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 selfmanagement 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

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 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

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
 - Burns
 - Post-operative wounds including dehisced wounds
 - Malignant wounds

Expert Witness Background

Associated with 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.

(Awaiting on attendance of 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