

# Working with Us

## Job Title

Staff Nurse, CCL

## Name

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## Entry Route

I entered a career in nursing following completing a nursing diploma, once qualified I started working at WWL and have worked on a medical ward before moving to Cardiac Catheter Lab.



## Role

The role entails working a number of areas covering the admission and discharging of patients. Assisting doctors in the provision of medication and scrubbing up to assist in procedures. The department liaises with ward staff for inpatients and also external trusts for services provided to other organizations. We have a close working relationship with the doctors, cardio physiologists and radiographers that are all integral to contributing to the service.

## Typical Day

My day requires me to work in a number of roles providing continuity of care for my patients. From the point they are escorted to the department, I will then prepare the lab and my patients are assigned to me for the duration of their day in the unit, to the point they are discharged.

My job is rewarding in that I see patients immediate relief, I see how I make a real difference to ill patients.

## Why I do my job

I see how I impact on patients outcomes and the benefit they tell me they feel makes my job worthwhile. My job is varied and has provided me with lots of opportunities for personal development. Working with a multi disciplinary team sees a range of skills put to use together to see a positive outcome for patients. It is nice to work with a team that share the same goal and can work together to achieve this. I have developed a good rapport working at WWL as a staff nurse and it has always been a nice environment to work in.