



Meet our ECMC Research Nurses: Ruth Boyd, Belfast ECMC

Being an ECMC Nurse...

is great! It is really exciting and beneficial being able to work as part of the national network of really experienced research nurses.

The most challenging part of the role...

there are always plenty of challenges! I receive calls from patients or a loved one ringing on behalf of a patient, enquiring about available clinical trials.

It's sad on the occasions when you have to break the news that, for various reasons, there may not be a study available for them.



“Delivering high quality research with a patient focus is immensely rewarding. Go for it!”

The most rewarding element...

is feedback from patients – knowing that you’re involved in clinical research that really makes a difference in people’s lives is hugely rewarding.

My advice to those considering becoming a nurse...

is don’t hesitate! It’s such an important and dynamic area to work in. There are lots of opportunities to learn and develop.

It’s brilliant working at the cutting edge, and you will be such a valuable member of a team of really enthusiastic people.