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My background

I am extremely passionate about dementia and frailty care, as a consultant nurse for older people I am keen to develop further insight into the delivery of evidence-based practices to ensure people living with dementia and frailty can access the right support at the right time. I have spent my whole nursing career pursuing my ambition to improve care standards and pathways for people living with dementia and frailty. I have worked across the country to develop new insights from Brighton to Greater Manchester, with many stops along the way.

I have been very privileged to work with people living with dementia from diagnosis through to their last days of life, being a part of their journey and that of their carers (family and friends) has been my inspiration to campaign for better care and support.

My research

I am at the very beginning of my PhD journey; my thesis will examine the feasibility to achieve an integrated dementia and frailty care pathway in secondary care NHS. I plan to undertake a qualitative study to review some of the lived experiences of frailty and dementia care pathways in an acute setting.

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