

CASE STUDY

After staying at home and looking after her children for a long time, Sarah decided to join the NHS in 2013.

Sarah wanted to do more within her Healthcare role and after attending the Learning at Work Week event held by Dorset Healthcare in 2015 she was informed of the apprenticeship programme and what it can lead to.

With her manager's support, Sarah decided to sign up to complete a Level 3 Clinical Healthcare qualification.

During Sarah's apprenticeship, her confidence grew which enabled her to speak up and be more of an advocate for patients and their care. She also used her time management skills to juggle home life, a full-time job and her studies, and found it to be a really good experience.

Sarah enjoyed completing her chosen units and found attending college to be very beneficial as she was able to learn from the other students, understand their points of view and how they work.

"My assessors were amazing and the support I received was really appreciated to help me meet my targets and complete assignments!"

After completing the apprenticeship, Sarah had the opportunity to move on to the bridging programme and as a result has gained a place at University to study for her nursing degree.



"With the full support of my line managers, ward sister and matrons, this has led me to go to University and do my degree in Nursing"



"Completing an apprenticeship was a great opportunity for me!"