

In the Spotlight



Name: Elizabeth Kalyinka

JOB TITLE: **LEAD MIDWIFE FOR EQUALITY & DIVERSITY**

Qualification: Qualified as a midwife in Cardiff in 1972

Work History: Career spanning almost 50 years (retired from post – 19th May 2021)
1975 - commenced work as a midwife in the Royal Gwent Hospital
1982 - progressed to the role of Community Midwife, leading a Team of midwives working in Newport West.
25 years working as a Community Midwife in Risca and surrounding areas.
2009 – took on the role of Lead Midwife for Equality & Diversity working in Newport inner city.

Career Highlights: Working alongside organisations and individuals, such as the Welsh Refugee Council, Newport City Council, Public Health Wales, Asylum Seeker Nurses and Health Visitors establishing numerous groups to support ethnic communities. Targeting diabetes and thalassaemia. Contributing to a Welsh Government working group instrumental in establishing an all Wales pathway of care for FGM. Liaison work with local schools to improve access to healthcare services in the community. Working with local charity organisations and churches to help and support needy communities.

“I’m sad to be leaving my role.... It’s been a privilege to work with a team who were passionate about the work we were doing. The thing I am most proud of as I reflect on my career is having had the opportunity to work for and represent Aneurin Bevan University Health Board.”