

In the Spotlight



Name: Heather

JOB TITLE: **MIDWIFE AND SONOGRAPHER, NEVILL HALL HOSPITAL, ROYAL GWENT HOSPITAL AND THE GRANGE UNIVERSITY HOSPITAL**

Training: Qualified as a Nurse in 1987, qualified as a Midwife in 1991, Postgraduate Diploma in Sonography

Experience: Worked on different Wards at the Royal Gwent Hospital for many years, worked as a Community Midwife for 1 year, and then worked on Nevill Hall Hospital's Maternity Day Assessment Unit and Triage for 9 years.

Role includes:

- 2 days a week of sonography scanning - one in Nevill Hall Hospital and one at the Royal Gwent Hospital
- 2 days a week of working at The Grange's Maternity Triage Department
- Performing pregnancy dating scans,
- Conducting pregnancy growth scans from 28 weeks gestation
- Assessing and triaging pregnant ladies who may need medical attention or Hospital admission
- When conducting dating scans, helping to determine which care will be best for the mother, whether that be midwifery led or consultant led, or whether they will need additional scans.

"It's lovely when I'm doing dating scans and I can show them their baby and talk to them about what they see. It's really important that people attend for their dating scans at the right time, because this is the optimum time to get an accurate due date and to check if everything is ok with the baby."