

## **NURSING - CLINICAL LEADERSHIP**

Rachel Taylor - (Nurse Consultant in Huntington's Disease)

*"I'm a nurse consultant for neuro-genetics and Huntington's disease. The nurse consultant role is a move from a clinical nurse specialist role which is an expert practitioner. But it's not just about being an expert practitioner, it's about being a leader in your field."*

John Welch - (Nurse Consultant in critical care)

*"My name's John Welch and I'm a nurse consultant in critical care here at University College London Hospitals. Nurse consultants are compelled to spend at least 50% of their time in clinical work. But you can also make the connection to the top level of the trust and work out how our systems can be improved to help an individual patient. I'm in a position to have a strategic input so I'm part of the groups that look at safety systems across the hospital, some of the business aspects. It's gratifying when something you've picked up on or your team has picked up on gets put in to the organisations policy."*

Rachel Taylor - (Nurse Consultant in Huntington's Disease)

*"In terms of research yes I'm part of other people's research but I've also led on my own research projects as well and we got some funding to look at end of life care for people with long term neurological conditions, particularly Huntingdon's disease because its sort of my area of passion really. "*

Baljit Gill - (Ward Sister)

*"Transforming care at the bedside is an initiative we've started on this ward. The theme of transforming care of the bedside: Health and safety, patient centred care, team work and vitality and leadership. Its about a bottom up approach, about the nurses looking at their ward, thinking 'what can we do better? What can we do differently?' These ideas are all on a post it note. The great thing about it is nurses feel that they are making a difference to patient care."*

Duncan Burton - (Head of Nursing for the medicine board - UCLH)

*"I'm Duncan Burton I'm the head of nursing for the medicine board at UCLH. Essentially my role is, I'm the professional lead for approximately six hundred nurses. The meeting today is really an opportunity for nurses and midwives across the whole of the trust working in varying different roles to get together and discuss*

*certain topics. One of things I was presenting was our score cards, performance score cards for how we measure the effectiveness of the care that we're giving. My sense of satisfaction and I think this is the thing that I've found throughout my career is that when I was a staff nurse in a ward area I got that sense of satisfaction on a one to one basis. Now, for me, and this is why I've moved in to this role, it's about influencing care over a much greater population of people."*

John Welch - (Nurse Consultant in critical care)

*"There are opportunities to present our work so I've been to the U.S. several times. To countries like Egypt to talk about our work and sell our work."*

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*"Its about looking at the long term improvements that can be made developing people and developing individuals so you can get a satisfaction from doing that."*