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## Biography

Debbie is a Registered Nurse (Adult) and a Non-medical prescriber with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC). She is also a qualified Advanced nurse practitioner specialising in primary care.

She completed her nurse training in 1988 at South Tees School of Nursing in Middlesbrough. In 2003 at Robert Gordon University (Aberdeen) she completed her prescribing along side modules on minor illness & injury, family planning & sexual health. She completed her MSc Nursing (Advanced Nurse Practitioner) at Teesside University (Middlesbrough) in 2014.

She started her teaching at Aberdeen College of Further Education successfully completing her Teaching Qualification in Further Education at Aberdeen University in 2008. At Aberdeen College her students were predominately Access to Nursing/Health students. She has also worked at Newcastle University Medical School as a GP Teaching Fellow supporting/mentoring Allied Health Care Professionals who are working with medical students and was very proud to be the only nurse in a team of doctors. She is currently in the process of applying to become a Fellow of the Advance HE Academy.

She currently delivers modules on the CPD portfolio and is module lead for history taking and clinical skills in primary care, and the respiratory disorders module both are optional modules on the MSc/BSc Professional Practice in Health. She is also a personal tutor for Pre-registration students on the apprenticeship route. She is also supporting several students as their dissertation supervisor. Debbie is also part of the Foundation Degree Nurse Associate development team with a specific responsibility for the year long module: Perspectives on care across the age spectrum.

Debbie has had a very varied career which has included working for the Armed Forces, the Prison Service, General practice, as a clinical lead for her PCN for trainee nurse associates and as a specialist nurse practitioner for asylum seekers.

She has also written a chapter for a book on frailty about the impact of ageing on the senses for care provision which is due out later in 2024.