



Emma Harris

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Current position

Emma is an interstitial lung disease advanced nurse practitioner in interstitial lung diseases at Papworth Hospital where she facilitates nurse led clinics and supports the clinical ILD service. She has worked in this clinical speciality as a senior nurse for 7 years.

Clinical

Emma also has extensive experience in general respiratory nursing having worked as a sister in a general respiratory unit. She has also held positions as a clinical nurse specialist in tuberculosis and lung cancer/mesothelioma. Consequently Emma has a sound understanding of the ILD pathway of care including palliative care and transitions to end of life; appreciating the challenges and the emotional burden that is carried by healthcare professionals.

Emma is currently studying at Masters level and completing a masters module in advanced clinical assessment skills. She has a first-class honours degree in clinical nursing and is an experienced non-medical prescriber with specialist knowledge of ILD pharmacotherapies.

Emma manages and delivers three interstitial lung disease (ILD) nurse led clinics per week, including a telephone clinic. In addition she supports the interstitial lung disease (ILD) telephone support line and attends and contributes to weekly multidisciplinary team meetings.

Emma cares for patients diagnosed with ILD and their families in the hospital ward setting and in the outpatient departments. She set up the Papworth Pulmonary Fibrosis support group in 2010. This has grown over the years and is regularly attended by up to 70+ patients and carers She works closely with the local patient support group.

Professional Service

Emma is a committee member of the ILD Interdisciplinary network. She is involved with the ILD regional network. She gives regular talks around the region and is involved in educating health professionals about interstitial lung diseases.