

Colin Beevor



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Colin has 25 years' experience in rheumatology nursing and a wide range of nursing management at ward, outpatient, and clinical nurse specialist levels. A big part of Colin's role includes management of a 10 million pound Biologic Budget. Since 2015 Colin started working on a number of biologics optimization projects which helps to meet the trust and commissioners cost improvement plans.

Colin is currently contributing to the development of a rheumatology service that will meet the changing needs of patients within the Portsmouth / Hampshire area. This work involves working with patients and members of the public for preparations of patient pathways for a number rheumatological and connective tissue diseases.

During COVID19, Colin with the support of the team re organised services to meet the needs of the local rheumatology population this included, Rheumatology associate practitioners providing community phlebotomy services, extension of the Patient Advice and Information line (helpline) from 07:00-21:00hours – 7 days per week, Virtual Rheumatology Ward for Rheumatology patients unwell to be managed in the community with daily telephone calls to them with changing management plans and also switching Biologic IVI Therapies to Self-Injectable, reducing the need for day case admissions.

Colin has previously represented the rheumatology nursing community through the RCN Rheumatology Forum as committee member and also sits on the medical and health care professional advisory boards for National Axial Spondyloarthritis Society.

Ongoing specialist interests include projects around reduction in biologics wastage, patient and public conferences and disease awareness.

More recently Colin has been working with primary and social care on a number of community based, education programmes related to self management and exercise, these have been recognised at a local and national levels as innovative pieces of work.