## Case study:

## Pretty, Stroke Lead Nurse



Pretty started at Maidstone and Tunbridge Wells NHS Trust (MTW) recently after transferring from a busy city hospital just outside Manchester.

She joined MTW as a Band 8a lead nurse for stroke, having worked as a Clinical Nurse Specialist at her previous Trust.

"I wanted to move down to the south of England as I had family here, but didn't want to join a Trust in the city.

"Kent is a beautiful county and has a fantastic mix of stunning countryside, great transport links, lots of outdoor activities for my children to enjoy as well as still being close to London.

"I'm thoroughly enjoying my new role and every day is different, especially as I work across both hospital sites at MTW.

"The job encompasses a challenging mix of clinical work, teaching staff about stroke, training stroke assessors and managing my team of specialist nurses.

"Everyone is really supportive and friendly here and they want to help me develop my professional skills further."