George Davidson

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George arrived in Colchester from Scotland 37 years ago and began working for a previous incarnation of the current organisation. Starting as a registered nurse in an inpatient nursing team, and then soon on to community mental health. George pioneered the Open Dialogue approach to community intervention and being one of the first primary care integrated nurses as a lone clinician working as a pilot within GP surgeries in North East Essex.

The relationships he made and systems he forged created a respect, and being seen as a valued as a partner in local place-based delivery at its conception. George`s clinical expertise is well respected, and he supported the GP surgeries through a number of tragic events which impacted on them professionally and personally over the years. This history of working with the GP surgeries significantly contributed on the early implementer and sustainability of the integrated primary care model in North East Essex, forging relationships which served the population in North East Essex.

Over the years George has pioneered in the implementation of the National Service Framework, being a key member of the assertive outreach team and championing the development and achievement of the Early Intervention Service across the Trust which resulted in North East Essex achieving Level 4 in 2024. The impact which George has had on the lives of those he has worked with cannot be underestimated. The feedback from family and carers has always been heart felt and humbling, considering him in many circumstances to be part of their family and literally being the difference between lifer and death. His passion for clinical standards and the local community has never been lost in his leadership role.