

NIPEC
Conference
'Back to the
Future'
Where do
student's fit in
the future?

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Student Journey

- ❖ My name is Tori Jackson and I'm 21 years old
- ❖ Completed my BSc Midwifery at the beginning of September 2023 at Queens University Belfast
- ❖ Undertook my placements at the SET
- ❖ The challenges of being the first cohort of the Covid- 19 Pandemic
- ❖ The reward of theory and practice and continuous development as a student midwife



*used with parental consent

Involvement with CoMC



- ❖ Throughout my second and third year at Queens, I had the privilege of being a part of the Continuity of Midwifery Care Student Group
- ❖ With further developments and experiences, I had the invaluable opportunity to be the student representative on behalf of the SET Implementation Group
- ❖ It allowed me to show my passion and expand my knowledge that I have for CoMC alongside personal and peer experiences of positive student CoMC

Personal experiences of CoMC



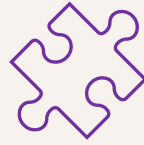
During my second year of midwifery, I had one caseload woman who I had booked at 12 weeks and whom I followed the entire way through to postpartum

I attended each of her antenatal appointments and was present when her baby boy was delivered

I followed up with the woman and family postnatally and they would still keep in touch with milestones and how their family unit is developing

- ❖ My last placement as a student was in Bangor community area, and I loved the aspect of continuity that midwives get to experience within their practice
 - ❖ I had the special honor of caring for woman within antenatal settings and getting to care for them postnatally at home whenever they and their baby arrived home
 - ❖ It allowed me to work autonomously and follow up on my caseloads while building deeper relationships with women and families
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Benefits and Challenges



Benefits

- ❖ Building a rapport with woman over their pregnancy journey and developing a relationship of trust
- ❖ Allows women to share deeper anxieties and means they don't have to explain themselves to a different health professional
- ❖ Job satisfaction and continuous learning opportunities over all areas

Challenges

- ❖ Time management
 - ❖ Work- life balance e.g. as a student; being able to manage academic workload alongside placement
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My Hopes For The Future

- ❖ I am eager to stay in the CoMC Implementation Group and continue my passion as a qualified midwife
- ❖ Provide kind, compassionate and professional care to women and families
- ❖ Continuously reflecting on my practice to become a better practitioner
- ❖ Empower and advocate for women, families and colleagues in each aspect of their journey





THANK YOU ALL VERY
MUCH FOR LISTENING



BEST WISHES
