

Message from The Huntercombe Group

During unprecedented times like these, It is more important than ever that we show our appreciation to our committed staff team who continue to care for the young people in our services despite the ongoing pandemic.

We asked staff two simple questions to better understand the challenges and positive moments from COVID-19. We hope you find their answers illuminating, and join us in thanking all the staff for their superlative efforts.



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Celebrating our staff at **Huntercombe** **Hospital Roehampton**



Inna Tjurina

Senior Occupational Therapist



What have you found most challenging in your role during the pandemic?

Initially it felt strange to provide therapy and comfort to patients whilst wearing a mask. I wasn't sure whether they would see that I empathise with their situation or am happy for them when they are happy. I was also constantly making sure I was adhering to pandemic guidelines such as around what PPE to wear.

What has been your silver lining?

Seeing patients who are happy. And good coffee!

Daniel Badejo

Health Care Support Worker



What have you found most challenging in your role during the pandemic?

The pandemic led to many changes in the way we work at Roehampton. There were challenges, especially for our patients who weren't able to go on leave or have face-to-face visits with family and friends, which could leave them feeling agitated. In addition to this, some patients have found staff members wearing PPE, and especially masks, unsettling at times.

What has been your silver lining?

As our patients could not go on leave or have family visits, staff had the opportunity to build stronger therapeutic relationships with them. As a result, patients felt more comfortable confiding in us about their general concerns as well as those relating to the pandemic.

Gerard Osando

House Keeper



What have you found most challenging in your role during the pandemic?

It has obviously been a scary time for everyone. When I was cleaning on the isolation ward I did feel a little bit anxious at first but also embraced the experience of learning about the virus and about the effective use of PPE.

What has been your silver lining?

Having a positive and friendly team around me has made it much easier. Roehampton is a unique place and I enjoy working here, taking opportunities and continuing to learn.