



Linea Group Associate

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Tell us a bit about the type of work handled by the department you're in at the moment.

I am responsible for a team of 8 and we are responsible for the day to day supply & distribution of medical consumables to over 65 wards (greater than 200 locations). In the last 2 years we have achieved a 30% headcount reduction, 25% reduction in inventory holding and £500k cash saving by reduced purchase order volumes and greater efficiencies in unit cost.

What are the most enjoyable aspects of your job?

The day to day challenges of ward expectations and requirements versus the actual achievable deliverables, and once agreed the on-going improvements we can demonstrate have included reduced stock levels, thereby creating real estate that can be better utilised, purchase order volumes and reduced spend year on year.

What was your first job?

Not including paperboy at 11 or trolley boy at Asda at 14. First job after leaving school was as a Despatch Clerk for a Print Packaging Manufacturer.

What skill is most essential for your role?

A good sense of humour—you need one in this role!

What's your greatest business achievement?

Taking the plunge in 2007 to become a self-employed Supply Chain Professional—Never looked back!

What did you want to be when you grew up?

An adult! Couldn't wait to get into pubs and clubs. Go to football, girls, the list goes on and on!

List 5 words that describe your character

Professional, sociable, motivated, leader & enthusiastic!

What are your interests outside of work?

My children, although now growing up, keeping fit by going to the gym and swimming. (I'm too old for playing football now!). Socialising with friends and, although I'm not a wine buff, I do enjoy sampling the odd bottle.....or 2!

What's the best piece of advice you could give someone?

Be yourself and believe in your convictions!