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Biographies - Nurses' Day

Fran Downing BVSc MSc DipECVAA MAcadMEd MRCVS

Fran graduated from Liverpool University in 2007 and spent two years working in a busy mixed animal practice in Lancashire. She returned to Liverpool University in 2010 to undertake an internship in small animal anaesthesia prior to commencing a residency in Veterinary Anaesthesia at the Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies. Fran moved to Davies Veterinary Specialists in 2013 and has been working within the anaesthesia department since then, becoming Head of Anaesthesia at the start of 2022. Whilst she enjoys all aspects of anaesthesia and perioperative care, she has a particular love of anaesthesia for cardiothoracic surgery and cardiac interventions. Fran is a RCVS & European Veterinary Specialist in Anaesthesia and Analgesia.

Faye Newton RVN BSc (Hons) VTS (Anesthesia/Analgesia)

Faye is a proud Yorkshire woman and she graduated from Bristol Vet School with a BSc (hons) in Veterinary Nursing and Practice Administration in 2012. She initially worked in a busy general practice in Sheffield before making the move to an orthopaedic referral hospital. She then moved to Paragon Referrals in 2018 at its inception, here she found her love of anaesthesia. In 2022 she obtained her VTS status in anaesthesia and analgesia.

Faye loves all things anaesthesia but has a keen interest in challenging anaesthetics, particularly thoracotomies and septic patients. She has also gained the title of equipment queen as anything broken tends to come her way to be fixed.

Outside of work Faye enjoys keeping active and can either be found at the gym, in the karate dojo or walking her 2 whippets in the beautiful Yorkshire countryside.

Oscar Bautista Díaz-Delgado DVM, AFHEA, Dip. ECVAA, MRCVS

Oscar graduated from the University of Extremadura in Spain in 2013. Subsequently, he completed a one-year rotating internship at the same institution. Following this, he worked as an anaesthesia clinician at the University Alfonso X El Sabio in Madrid for 2 and a half years. In March 2017, Oscar joined the Small Animal Teaching Hospital in Liverpool as an intern specializing in small animal anaesthesia. He then pursued a standard European residency program in veterinary anaesthesia and analgesia at the same institution.



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He joined Northwest Veterinary Specialists and became European specialist in Veterinary Anaesthesia and Analgesia in 2021. Currently, he provides expert anaesthesia care to various hospitals in the UK as a locum anaesthetist.

Oscar's primary interests lie in anaesthesia for critical patients, loco-regional anaesthesia, and pain management. He holds a special interest in enhancing postgraduate anaesthesia teaching, extending support to new graduates and nurses. Additionally, Oscar is committed to improving clinical outcomes in anaesthesia and optimizing team workflow.

Janette Bailey Woods RVN, NCert (Anaesthesia & ECC),VTS (Anaesthesia & Analgesia)

Janette qualified as an RVN in 2001. She worked in a mixed animal practice and an orthopaedic referral hospital before moving to Wear Referrals in 2015, where she now works within the anaesthesia team as lead anaesthesia nurse. Janette has gained the NCert ECC and Anaesthesia qualification, and in 2021 the Veterinary Technician Specialist (VTS) in Anaesthesia and Analgesia, held by only a handful of veterinary nurses in the U.K.

Outside of work, Janette is most at home in a tent, up a hill, with her dogs!