

Advanced Practitioner

Melanie Durkin – Advanced Midwife Practitioner

Melanie is an Advanced Midwife Practitioner working at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust



Melanie qualified as a registered Adult Nurse in 1996 and went on to qualify as a registered Midwife in 2000. After working as a midwife for 12 years, Melanie wanted to progress her career via a non operational route and maintain a clinical focus. So, in 2014, she completed an MSc in Advanced Practice and became an Advanced Midwife Practitioner (AMP). Melanie is also a certified non-medical prescriber.

In her current role at Bolton NHS Foundation Trust, Melanie is a senior clinical lead midwife on Maternity Triage and on Central Delivery Suite and a clinical specialist in high-risk obstetrics. She has completed training in MOET (Managing Medical and Obstetric Emergencies and Trauma) and MAIM (Maternal Acute Illness Management).

Melanie's areas of clinical expertise include complex perineal repair, management of high-risk labours/births, management of obstetric emergencies, KIWI (vacuum) deliveries, CTG interpretation, fetal blood sampling, cannulation, perineal and first assistant at Lower Segment Caesarean Section and wound management. As an AMP, Melanie is equipped with the knowledge and skills to provide a seamless service to women and can maintain flow and prevent delays in service provision.

Melanie has a principal role in service improvement, implementing changes by positive engagement from her team to drive these improvements forward successfully. Melanie networks and collaborates with stakeholders on a regional and national level and maintains partnerships with universities and education providers. Melanie also acts as a CTG (Cardiotocography) and OASI (Obstetric Anal Sphincter Injury) Champion at her Trust.

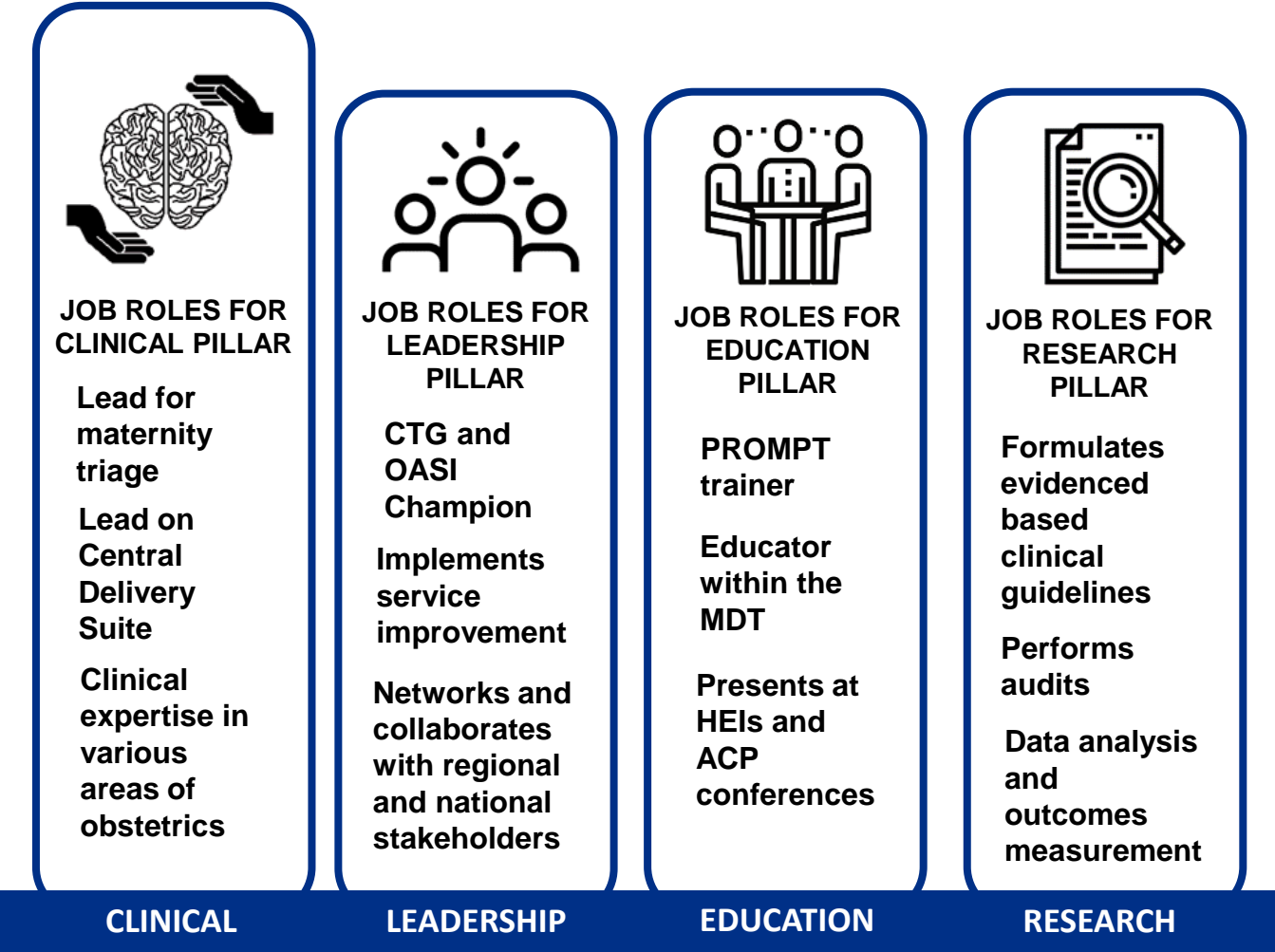
“As an AMP I utilise expert knowledge and skills to maintain safety and improve outcomes in line with the national maternity safety ambition

Melanie has a key role in her divisional governance team at the Trust; she reviews and formulates evidence based clinical guidelines and performs audits, analysing complex data to measure outcomes and identify areas for improvement benchmarked against national initiatives.

Melanie is a PROMPT (Practical Obstetric Multi-Professional Training) trainer and a key educator within the MDT (multidisciplinary team) and PROMPT faculty. She has presented at various HEIs (Higher Education Institutions) in her region and has presented nationally at an Advanced Practice Conference. Melanie is also a published co author in the MIDIRS Midwifery Digest.

As an AMP, Melanie always adopts a midwifery philosophy when delivering care to women and feels that she is able to promote collaborative working within the MDT. She enjoys possessing the knowledge, skills and autonomy to be able to make sound clinical judgements and provide a high level of evidence based and safe seamless care for

“ My current role requires expert level knowledge and skills, which are evidenced and underpinned by theory and experience



Melanie works across the four pillars of Advanced Practice