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Her current role at St. Paul's Hospital, Providence Health Care, is Clinical Nurse Specialist for the heart failure, mechanical circulatory support & heart transplant program. As a clinical leader of the sole heart transplant and durable ventricular assist device program in British Columbia, she has led quality improvement initiatives to ensure that the program's practice is innovative, evidence-based and patient-centered. She is also actively involved in conducting & mentoring of nursing research.

With previous experience as a Clinical Informatics Specialist for the cardiac program as part of the Clinical and Systems Transformation Project, she is currently the co-chair for the Cardiac Specialty Working Group, which provides oversight and governance of informatics build across the cardiac programs within the health authority. The other areas of her past clinical experience includes cardiology, cardiac surgery intensive care, and the adult congenital heart program.

Her national representation involves active membership in the Nursing and Allied Health Council as well as the CHFS Education Committee. She is also a board member of directors in the Canadian Heart Failure Network. These memberships involve knowledge translation work that aims to enhance best practices and resources for Canadians living with heart failure. As a nurse who has worked in the cardiac program for two decades, she feels fortunate to have effectively built networks and alliances with other cardiac clinicians, locally, provincially and nationally.