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What I do in my job? I am the National NICU Workstream Lead on the MN-CMS Project which involves providing clinical leadership to the design and implementation of the national newborn EHR to neonatal units. Currently 40% of babies born in Ireland have an EHR.

Motivation: As a nurse, I know having up to date clinical information available at your fingertips is vital to providing care. A national data set of newborn information can inform audit and develop policy to further enhance patient care. MNCMS is an exciting pathfinder project in Ireland and I love being part of it.

Advice to women thinking of a career in health service: Nurses play a key role in collecting patient data through their everyday work and documentation particularly using an EHR. Using these data to improve patient outcomes is only the beginning of the future of the Irish Health Service's digital health transformation.

