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**Clara – Coordinator**

I moved to Australia 4 years ago, from Columbia, I lived in Perth for 2.5 years before deciding to make the move to Sydney. I have been working in nurse roster coordinator for over two years, working for a large not for profit in Perth and now with the team at Meditech.

**Before working at Meditech, what was the most unusual or interesting job you’ve ever had?**

When I arrived to Australia, I was working in The Hospitality Industry. Although it is not an unusual job, it was for me, as I never did similar jobs before. Hospitality Industry helped me to improve my English skills being able to meet very interesting people, even friends who are still in my life, also I developed some culinary skills. In relation with my professional life, it has helped to improve my customer service skills.

For these reasons although I will be always grateful with this experience.

**Any favourite line from a movie?**

“Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery, but today is a gift. That is why it is called present.” - Master Oogway: Kung Fu Panda

**What was your best holiday destination and why?**

It has to be New Zealand! It was my first real holiday with my partner, second it is an amazing country with so much diversity of landscapes and with a lot of good energy around. Last but not least, the main reason of going it was one of my best friends’ wedding which was beautiful and magic.



**Jenny – Coordinator Team Leader**

I have been working for Meditech Staffing for 2 years now, starting here as a Coordinator and then moving up to Team Leader. My position also includes dealing with our Managed Clients making sure all services run smoothly, as well as working closely with the Community Team Leader in organising training and buddy up shifts for our support workers.

I have been in the health industry for over 10 years starting my career as a support worker, it is very rewarding knowing the difference that you make in somebodies life and the fulfilling feeling at the end of the day that you have made a difference. As a Coordinator, has its ups and downs and can be a very stressful job but at the end of the day it is all worth it as you know the effort that you have put in means that no client goes without, and that is a GREAT FEELING. During my career I have attended many course to improve my knowledge such as: Certificate 3 & 4 in Aged Care and Community, Cert 4 Frontline Training, just to mention a few.

**Before working at Meditech, what was the most unusual or interesting job you’ve ever had?**

My most interesting jobs I have had has been working in the health industry as you meet so many different types of people and my other interesting job was working for the NSW RSL Headquarters organising and being involved in the marketing side of the fund raising for the return soldiers.

**If you were an animal what would you be?**

If I was an animal I would be a free-spirited brumby.

**What do you like most about working with Meditech?**

My favourite thing about working at Meditech Staffing is that everyone there is in this Industry for the right reason, there compassionate and understanding for both clients and staff



**Jess – Coordinator**

My role is Community Service Coordinator. I do the rostering for client’s services and allocate suitable support workers to meet client needs and goals. I have been working for Meditech for 13 months. I have 4 years’ experience working as a community service coordinator where I have obtained my cert 3 in aged care and cert 4 in Frontline Management. Prior to this, I worked as a retail travel consultant for 3 years sending people on their dream holidays.

**What book did you read last?**

The last book I read was the Twilight Series

**What was your best holiday destination and why?**

My Favourite Holiday destination is America where my husband and I travelled back in 2012, I loved Knotts Berry Farm and all the thrill rides.

**If you were an animal what would you be?**

If I was an animal I would love to be a sloth.



**Jiji – Afterhours Coordinator & Office Allrounder!**

Am half a century old but sometimes feels like Peter Pan. My family’s adventure in Australia started when we arrived here in 2009. I originally worked as an AIN for Meditech in 2010. In early 2011, I started working as afterhours coordinator and haven’t stopped being one since.

**Any favourite line from a movie?**

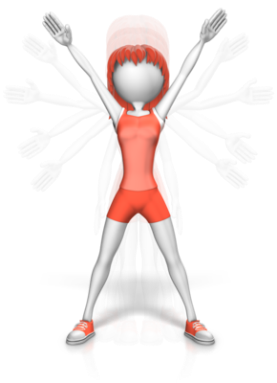
From the movie Finding Nemo, when Nemo’s father, Marlin, got so distraught after dropping the snorkelling mask with his only clue to finding Nemo in the deep abyss, Dory’s simple suggestion in a fishy tune was: “Just keep swimming, swimming…”

**If you had to eat one meal, every day for the rest of your life, what would it be?**

If you meant a choice between breakfast, lunch or dinner, I would choose breakfast. If you are talking about the kind of food, I would choose spaghetti.

**What was your favourite TV show when growing up?**

Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory. It was always on replay on TV as a young girl and I still ended up watching it every time despite the long ads in between.



**Michelle – Business Development Manager**

I have a range of qualifications including a Diploma in Community Service Co-ordination. I have also worked on the ground and in management roles within the disability services sector for over 20 years and has a sound understanding of current sector initiatives, funding agreements and related legislation. I currently manage community liaisons, business development activities and the establishment and monitoring of any new programs ensuring a strong focus on quality individualised service to clients and their support network.

**Before working at Meditech, what was the most unusual or interesting job you’ve ever had?**

I used to help organise triathlons and on race day I was always given the job of writing the athletes numbers of their arms and legs before the race… tough gig… NOT!!

**What do you like most about working with Meditech?**

Everyone at Meditech actually cares about people… yes we are all here to get paid but Meditech has the ‘care factor’ that actually makes us care about what we do for people every day. It’s not just a job.

**If you had to eat one meal, every day for the rest of your life, what would it be?**

Fresh prawn and mango salad! if you haven’t tried it… do yourself a favour!



**Nathan - Coordinator**

I’m one of the Community Rostering Coordinator’s at Meditech. I started back on 22nd March 2017, and I’m new to the Health Care Sector. Before I started at Meditech, I worked in the Telecommunications Industry for 7 years in a variety of roles, Including a Premium Customer Service Representative, Customer Service Team Leader and a Customer Service Trainer. I’ve been with my Partner Shannon for 7 Years, and are eagerly awaiting the arrival of our little girl in November. I love to also Travel and been to places such New York, L.A, Las Vegas, Dallas, Chicago, San Francisco, Hawaii, New Caledonia, Fiji, Vanuatu, and the Philippines.

**If you had to eat one meal, every day for the rest of your life, what would it be?**

Large Double Quarter Pounder Meal from McDonalds.

**What was your best holiday destination and why?**

New York. It truly is the best in the world. You know that they say “If you can make it there, I’ll make it anywhere”.

**What did you want to be when growing up?**

A Train Driver. I will follow this dream one day!



**Rod – Director Meditech**

I became involved with Meditech Staffing in 2016 driven by the personal experience of seeing his mother in residential care and motivated to “do it better” for other recipients of aged and dementia care. I’ve had over 40 years of management experience specializing in franchise systems with QSR food service, Delivery, Distribution, Education, Vending, Travel and Specialty Retailing at both large and small organisations such as McDonalds, PepsiCo Food Service, Jetset / Travelworld, & Civic Video.

I’m also a keen boatie, and love to get some wind in my hair (what’s left of it) during the summer sailing season.

**If you had to eat one meal, every day for the rest of your life, what would it be?**

Japanese

**What was your best holiday destination?**

Thailand

**What is your greatest achievement?**

Surviving a double parachute failure!

**Sharyn - Community Team Leader**

I have been working with Meditech Staffing for over 12 months. My previous experience includes being a support worker for 20 years which I thoroughly enjoyed, it has been such a rewarding career to have. I was a rostering co-ordinator for 2 years and an afterhours co-ordinator for 4 years but at the end of this I went back out into the field to be a support worker again. I have just completed my Certificate IV in training and assessment and I am looking forward to doing more training with our support workers.

**What book did you read last?**

The last book that I read was Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows. I am a big fan.

**What did you want to be when growing up?**

When I was growing up I always wanted to be a nurse.

**What do you like most about working with Meditech?**

The thing I like most about working with Meditech is being able to support the support workers out in the field, as I know how lonely and isolating it can be.



**Tien – Administration Assistant**

Before working at Meditech, I worked in retail for 8 years doing a variety of roles varying from providing customer service, visual merchandising and management. My last role was working in operations and administration support within start up jewellery company.

At Meditech, I provide administration support to the whole office and hands on support within our Human Resources and Business Development teams. I am the first face everyone sees when they visit our Strathfield office and I will always greet you with a warm smile.

**What do you like most about working with Meditech?**

The warm, fun and friendly team.

**Do you recall any embarrassing moment at work?**

One morning I came into work and I thought my mouse on my computer was broken as I had a blank screen, I changed my battery and I still had a blank screen! I called IT as I thought something was then wrong with my computer, once IT arrived too my horror my computer wasn’t turned on!

**If you were an animal what would you be?**

A Cat!



**Aaron – Recruitment & IT Coordinator**

Working at Meditech was a big career change for me! Before I worked here I previously worked in the finance and banking sector with companies such as Suncorp Bank and Citibank for 4 years as both a personal banker and insurance specialist. I have also worked 3 years in telecommunications with Vodafone within the consumer and small business team. Jumping into aged care and disability was a complete 180-degree change.

When I first started, I provided administration support to the business manager, I then moved into recruitment administration and then finally where I am now as a Recruitment & HR Coordinator in the HR department. Many of you first met me at your interview and I provide HR support to all staff as well as onboarding and training all new staff.

**Do you recall any embarrassing moment at work?**

When taking a picture of a new staff member for her name badge who was very shy and embarrassed about having her picture taken. When she asked about how picture looked, without realising what I was saying I said “yea it’s not the best”, at which point we both went bright red!

**If Hollywood made a movie about your life, who would you like to see cast as you?**

Matthew Mcconaughey, just so he can say “All Right, All Right, All Right”

**What was your TV show when growing up?**

Transformers, plus I had all the toys

**Waseem – Case Manager**

**What was your favourite TV show when growing up?**

Full House

**How has Meditech helped you in your career development?**

Offering me a better opportunity in terms of position and responsibilities

**What was your best holiday destination and why?**

Belgium – lots of history, beautiful architecture, lifestyle, friendly people, good transportation system & Belgian chocolates.

**What book did you read last?**

And the mountains echoed by Khaled Hosseini

**Wendy – Business Development Manager (Northern Suburbs)**

I joined the company’s Business Development Team in December 2016, My overall work experience has been wide and varied. Beginning my healthcare experience in my early 20’s as a support worker, I went on to do my Training qualifying as a Registered Nurse in the late 90’s.

I worked a number of years in this field before becoming a clinical nurse specialist in Palliative Care. Once my eldest was born 16 years ago I focused my efforts in the family friendly Community Care Work and tried my hand at many roles, this included running a Community Care Business and expanding its size by 250%.

After 4 years in this role I was offered a corporate position managing the financial performance of 3 community care services, a recruitment company and 5 hospitals across QLD and NSW.

After another 4 years in this role I gave it all up to welcome my youngest child into the world.

Another 4 years go by (what is it with the number 4 ? ) and my life has taken on a very different kind of busy!

It is with pleasure that I take on the role as the all-rounder at the new St Leonards Office with Meditech. With your help I’m sure we can make it a huge success!

I look forward to working with you soon.

**Any favourite line from a movie?**

You know how to whistle don’t you? …. Just put your lips together and blow ……

**What do you like most about working with Meditech?**

The people

**What was your favourite TV show when growing up?**

Sesame Street



**Edwin – Business Manager**

My role is wide and varied, but essentially looking at the business as a whole, then drilling down and working on areas which will help the business achieve its goals. I have been with Meditech since 2006. My prior experience has been in aviation operations, aircraft-sales and financial audit.

**Any favourite line from a movie?**

“gonna hit the brakes, he’ll fly right by…” Top Gun

**What was your best holiday destination and why?**

Matamaoa Island Resort, Fiji. It has no internet, no telephone, no TV and no vehicles. What you will get are private beaches, small trails, great people and one restaurant with a delicious menu.

**If Hollywood made a movie about your life, who would you like to see cast as you?**

Brad Pitt – you did say “Hollywood” right?