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Dear Sir/Madam,

Dr Rusana Mamedova worked a year (8.02.18 to 5.02.19), as a FTAS fixed-term placement in a post normally occupied by one of the five VTS core trainees who work in our Department of Geriatric Medicine a Cardiff and Vale UHB.

During her time she took part in our formal rotation of VTS trainees between different wards in Geriatric Medicine, including my own sub-specialty of Orthogeriatrics, and like our VTS trainees took her full role in out of hours and weekend rotas for Acute Medicine.

She was an exemplary trainee, with a careful, caring and compassionate approach to her frail, older patients, their families, their carers and the ward team. Her spoken and written English are excellent, and underpin her success in communication with her patients, many of whom have memory or hearing difficulties.

I am delighted to say that she outperformed many of the 200 VTS trainees who have passed through this rotation over the last 25 years, and would strongly recommend your recognising her experience with us when considering the length of her training, and the appropriate recognition of her experience in respect of pay.

Yours sincerely,



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