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How long have you worked at Baystate?

My 4-year anniversary at Baystate was on November 1st.

What did you do prior to coming to Baystate?

Prior to joining Baystate, I lived in Minneapolis for 20 years and in Cincinnati for 2 years. I started working in graduate medical education at the University of Minnesota in 2000, where I managed various residency and fellowship programs, taking a brief break during that time to return to school. At UC Health, I continued my work in graduate medical education as the program manager for the OB/GYN residency. Before becoming the IRB Coordinator at Baystate, I served as the program administrator for the Baystate Emergency Medicine Residency and Fellowship Programs.

What are your responsibilities in your current role?

My current responsibilities include:

- **Processing submissions received through IRBNet and serving as a resource for investigators and staff.**
- **Compiling and distributing the monthly HRPP newsletter.**
- **Maintaining IRB member records.**
- **Assisting with updates to ensure the HRPP website remains current and accurate.**

What do you enjoy most about your role in the HRPP/IRB department?

I am constantly learning and find the world of research fascinating. I truly enjoy reading about the innovative and impactful work our research teams are doing at Baystate.

What have been some of your accomplishments at Baystate?

I collaborated with the Baystate Marketing and Communications Department to develop our monthly HRPP newsletter. They also assisted me in creating a YouTube channel for our department to host training videos, making them easily accessible to our staff when needed.

What do you like to do outside of work?

My husband and I moved to the area to be closer to my family. My mother is 98, and we spend as much time with her as we can. I love to bake, and we enjoy traveling whenever possible. This year, we've visited Ireland, North Carolina, and the Netherlands.

What is one interesting fact that we may not know about you?

In 2007, I left my position at the University of Minnesota to attend a branch of Le Cordon Bleu, where I earned a degree in Baking and Patisserie Arts.