## Things I do as a: NHS Lothian Clinical Engineer

I watched the inside of someone's intestines with a tiny Wifi camera!

> • It's a little bit bigger than a paracetamol capsule and has to be swallowed by a patient!

## I designed and 3D printed a device to check x-ray machines are working!

• Special machines at cancer centres use x-rays to treat cancer.



- It helps others in the NHS find out what is wrong with someone's digestive system.
  - Medical Engineers would have been a big part of designing this.

## I wrote some code to help check the lab that measures how people walk!

- X-rays can help kill cancer in someone's body, but can harm their healthy body parts too!
- This means that we have lots of test devices for x-ray machines, to check they
  - are: sending the right amount of x-rays,
    - to the right body part and
    - showing us the right images of patients.

• My device pretends to be the chest and a lung, so I had to also code motors to move like breathing.

I fixed someone's eye tracking communication aid so he can talk to me about Formula 1!

- This lab is called a gait lab.
- It has lots of cameras looking at silver balls stuck on someone's skin.
- They tell the computer how someone is moving.
  - This information helps decide if surgery or orthotics can help them walk better!



o my name is... Abi I measured the power of all the devices in an operating theatre so that the surgery robot can work!

- If someone cannot speak there are lots of devices to help them.
- They are part of a group called assistive technology which helps people do activities they can't do otherwise.

 Infrared cameras can see where your eye is looking on a computer so you can select the words you want to say!

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- Robots that are controlled by surgeons help with very detailed surgery.
  - But they are big, powerful machines!
    - Operating theatres have lots of other machines too that help with operations, like to check heart rate, or give pain medicine.
      - Lots of operating theatres were built before the surgery robot was invented.
      - We need to check it has the right electricity supply to keep everything working during operations!

