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Jonny is based at Yorkshire Ambulance Service, read below Jonny's case study.

As an emergency care assistant (ECA) my role is to assist paramedics in day to day tasks and situations. My competence and confidence, and the confidence the paramedic's are in me, will allow me to do more and more with my ability, allowing for closer and further interaction with the patient. The more experience I gain, the more times I perform my tasks, the better I get, therefore making the care my patient receives better and more experienced each time.

I was attracted to this role as my background is the building trade – the polar opposite, and I believe the best way to learn a trade is to start at the bottom, and work your way up. This way you learn everything from the ground up. You understand how every angle of the position works and merges into the next.

I feel the training has helped a lot. I think my learning took on a faster and more realistic pace as soon as I was on the road and really in the situations. I feel very lucky in my position as both of my crewmates are two of the best paramedics on the service. Therefore learning and working with them both has helped me develop tremendously.

I'm proud of how far I have come in terms of my ability. I'm hungry to learn so I'm always pushing and questioning why. I'm also really proud that I'm doing a job I absolutely love. This route within the health care system will make you the best version of yourself and make you as good at your role as you can be – if you want to be.