

SOS clinic leaves patient pain free

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Looking to the future: Rosanne Allen is pain free for the first time in 20 years

A VETERINARY nurse from Pangbourne, who has endured decades of excruciating pain because of an agonising spinal condition, is finally beginning to enjoy a normal life.

Rosanne Allen, who lives in Bowden Green, was 27-years-old when she was diagnosed with Scoliosis - a condition which affects more than 4% of people in Britain and causes the spinal cord to bend rapidly to the side.

When she was diagnosed Rosanne, now 47, was told if her spine continued to bend, she would be forced to endure a risky nine-hour operation, which would involve having metal rods inserted in her back.

But as she got older and began her career as a veterinary nurse at Burghfield Surgery, spending long days on her feet and working full-time meant the pain soon became unbearable and Rosanne was forced to leave work.

Rosanne said: "I was in so much pain at work that I was practically in tears by the end of the day.



"I was gradually becoming less and less mobile, so sports, hobbies and daily activities were becoming increasingly difficult. It was getting to the point where I could hardly manage to take my dogs for a walk."

Rosanne had tried visiting a chiropractic but found the pain would just return and she was starting to consider the potentially dangerous surgery when she found out about Scoliosis SOS - a nationwide clinic that offers non-surgical treatment for the condition.

After an intensive four week course of treatment at the clinic's London base, Rosanne's quality of life is finally returning and her posture and physical appearance has improved, leaving her pain-free for the first time in 20 years.

She said: "I can't speak highly enough of the effect I feel both physically and emotionally. I would definitely recommend the clinic to other patients who have Scoliosis and I am looking forward to getting back to work and starting to enjoy life again."

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