

Élan Howell has a B.S. in Biology from the University of California at San Diego and she completed her nursing education at the University of Pennsylvania in 2003. She began her career in the Cardiothoracic Surgical ICU at the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania where she worked as a staff nurse for two years. Élan is currently a coordinator for the Mechanical Assist Device Program with the Penn Cardiac Care team. She worked with Dr. Morris and Dr. Acker to develop the Total Artificial Heart program at HUP which will be used to bridge heart failure patients to cardiac transplantation.