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PERSONAL STATEMENT

A highly motivated, assertive and dynamic Case Manager and Occupational Therapist, who is fully competent in advanced level clinical practice with a strong work ethic and high personal standards. An extremely professional practitioner, hardworking, conscientious and committed to her chosen career, with a wealth of highly transferable skills from a career spanning 25 years.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

July 2018 – present Green Owl Therapy
Case Manager
Case Management and Immediate Needs Assessments of clients with Acquired or Traumatic Brain Injuries and complex needs.

May 11 – present Bush and Company
Case Manager
Case Management and Immediate Needs Assessments of clients with complex needs or Brain Injuries.

Dec 06 - present Independent Rehabilitation Services
Specialist Neurological Occupational Therapist
Private practice formed in 2001 and developed into IRS in December 2016.
AMPS trained and calibrated.
Professional interest and expertise: Clients who have experienced a Brain Injury, Spinal Injury, Stroke, Multiples Sclerosis or other neurological condition.
Orthopaedic conditions, such as complex fractures and amputees, both upper and lower limb.
Interventions carried out include holistic OT assessments and treatments/ interventions, vocational rehabilitation, risk assessment, advice and support, neurological splinting, report writing and training for Support Workers, other professionals and Charities.
Supervision of qualified and unqualified OT staff.
Presenting at conferences on OT related topics.
Active engagement in local and national professional brain injury interest groups.
Continued Professional Development.

Jan 05 – April 06 University of Northampton
Lecturer

June 04 – Jan 05 University Hospitals of Leicester NHS Trust
Clinical Specialist Occupational Therapist for Stroke

Dec. 02 –ongoing **Independent Practice**

Oct 98 – May 04 Northamptonshire Heartlands Primary Care Trust
Senior I Occupational Therapist

Sept 97 –Aug 2012 Harrison Associates
Training Consultant

Apr 96 – Oct 98 Rockingham Forest NHS Trust
Senior II Occupational Therapist

Sept 94 – Apr 96 Rockingham Forest NHS Trust
Basic Grade Occupational Therapist

Nov 90 – Aug 91 Redcliffe Day Hospital
Occupational Therapy Assistant

Nov 89 – Nov 90 Hinwick Hall for the Physically Disabled
Care Officer

Sept 88 – July 89 Rushton Hall School for the Blind
Community Service Volunteer

EDUCATION AND QUALIFICATIONS

Nov 17- April 18 **AMPS trained and calibrated**

Sept 04- March 06 **Post graduate certificate in Neurological Rehabilitation**
Oxford Brookes University, Oxford

Jan – Nov 03 **Educating the Educators**
Associate Member of the Institute of Leadership and Management

Sept 91 – July 94 **BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy (2:1)**
St. Andrew's School of Occupational Therapy, Northampton

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS

My interests are many and varied. I like to travel, play sport to keep fit and for enjoyment, like to lose myself in a good book and care for my pets. I also have a keen interest in crafts and enjoy the challenge and satisfaction of completing a project successfully.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Driving Licence: Car owner with full clean driving licence

Professional Membership: BAOT, COTNP, COTIP, AMInstLM, SI Network ,
BABICM, CMSUK, AMPS