

Professional Profile

PERSONAL INFORMATION

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PROFILE

I've been a paediatric physiotherapist for almost 30 years and have a vast amount of experience. I currently work at a children's hospice, where for the last 7 years I've provided physiotherapy (including aquatic therapy) to children and young people with complex health and care needs, and sometimes to those at the end of life. I am responsible for providing moving and handling training to all staff, respiratory training to care staff and communication training to volunteers. I'm an experienced practice educator for physiotherapy students (BSc and MSc).

Prior to my current job I worked as an NHS community paediatric physiotherapist for 17 years, working in a variety of community settings including schools (mainstream and special schools), clinics, child development centres and homes, assessing and treating 0-19-year olds.

Before moving to my community post I worked at Birmingham Children's Hospital, firstly in a rotational post for 2 years, gaining experience in Orthopaedics, Respiratory (ITU and Surgical), Respiratory (Medical and Oncology) and Community, then in a fixed 1 year post as a Cystic Fibrosis Liaison Physiotherapist.

Having qualified as a physiotherapist in 1992, my first post was a Basic Grade Rotational Physiotherapist at Sandwell District Hospital where I experienced Paediatrics, Orthopaedics and Out Patients, Care of the Elderly, Medical and Neurological wards.

KEY SKILLS AND AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Skilled in the holistic assessment and provision of intervention and management of children with mild to complex health needs, illness and/or learning disability, with consideration of physical, emotional and spiritual needs of the child and their family.
- Skilled in the assessment of postural management and provision of appropriate equipment
- Special interest and expertise in communication skills particularly with children and young people who cannot communicate through speech
- Experienced in aquatic therapy for children and young people with a wide range of conditions including neurological, neuromuscular, respiratory and cardiac.
- Respiratory assessment and management
- Expertise in working in a multidisciplinary team with excellent communication skills
- Moving and Handling Key Trainer
- Practice Educator for physiotherapy students

AREAS OF EXPERTISE / OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

Professional Memberships:

- Chartered Physiotherapist (MCSP) Certificate No: 52070
- HCPC Registered Certificate No: PH45043
- Member of the Association of Paediatric Chartered Physiotherapists
- Member of the Aquatic Therapy Association of Chartered Physiotherapists

Courses Attended (a selection):

- Midland Network Long Term Ventilation study days (2021, 2019, 2015)
- Level 4 Advanced People Handling and Risk Assessment Key Trainer's Certificate (2020, 2018, 2016, 2014)
- Intensive Interaction courses (2019 and 2018)
- Management of Spasticity (2018)
- Introduction to Paediatric Palliative Care (2017)
- Physiotherapy Assessment and Management of Respiratory Complications in Children and Young People with Neuromuscular Conditions (2015)
- Paediatric Aquatic Therapy (2007)
- Paediatric Bobath Course (1999)

EDUCATION

Queen Elizabeth School of Physiotherapy 1989-1992

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Sandwell District General Hospital-Rotational Basic Grade Physiotherapist
Birmingham Children's Hospital-Senior II rotational physiotherapist and Senior I Cystic Fibrosis Physiotherapist
Worcestershire Health and Care Trust-Senior I/Band 7 Community Paediatric Physiotherapist
Acorns Children's Hospice-Specialist Physiotherapist

REFERENCES

Available upon request