



CURRICULUM VITAE

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PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Certificate of Qualification in Social Work	1985
BSc (hons) Sociology and Applied Social Science	1985

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT

Present Employment

1. *Rehab Without Walls*
Case Manager *September 2000 – present*

To provide case management input for adults and children with acquired brain injury, spinal injury or other sources of traumatic injury where cognitive problems are an issue.

This role involves:

- Assessing need for care, therapies, nursing or medical services, case management and rehabilitation services. Assessments may be of a solely practical nature or for medico-legal purposes. Assessments are designed to suggest the most cost efficient and effective way of optimising a client's rehabilitation.
- Risk management. I have skills and experience in case management where the level of risk or difficulty involved, is high. This includes case management in situations where the client is subject to statutory intervention or there are forensic or mental health considerations.
- Designing, developing and monitoring complex multi-disciplinary care packages. I have skills and experience in managing care packages where a wide range of different individuals and disciplines are involved. My objective is to ensure effective team functioning, leading to maximum benefit for the client.
- Supervising and training support workers. I have extensive skills and experience in recruiting, supervising and managing support workers and support worker teams. My objective is to create efficient support worker packages that optimise a client's

rehabilitation, via the use of highly skilled support workers, and innovative ways of developing support workers' skills.

- Encouraging and managing liaison and coordination between services, including statutory, not for profit and independent sector services. Particularly in complex or high risk situations, it is important to ensure a coordinated approach between various agencies. I have skills and experience in leading this process. In addition, I have skills and experience in working with statutory agencies to ensure their reasonable contribution.
- Designing and managing behaviour modification programmes for clients with challenging behaviours.
- Working sensitively and creatively with client's families and care givers
- Producing medical legal reports for claimant and defendant legal teams.

2. *Rehab Without Walls*

Director – Case Management Development

December 2008 – present

- Directing, supervising, training and developing a team of case managers
- Assisting the Rehab Without Walls senior management team in developing and maintaining first class quality standards, policies and procedures designed to ensure that the best possible services are provided to client and their families.

Previous Employment

1. *Regional Neurological Rehabilitation Centre – Hunters Moor, Newcastle*
Social Worker *October 1996 – September 2000*
2. *Sensory Support Team - Newcastle upon Tyne Social Services*
Social Worker, Team Manager *July 1993 – October 1996*
3. *Regional Neurological Rehabilitation Centre – Hunters Moor, Newcastle*
Social Worker *February 1992 – July 1993*
4. *Newcastle General Hospital*
Social Worker *June 1988 – February 1992*
5. *Royal Victoria Infirmary*
Social Worker *September 1985 – June 1988*

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

GSCC General Social Care Council
BASW British Association of Social Workers
BABICM British Association of Brain Injury Case Managers (Associate Member)