



Joyce Tavengwa



Based In: Flitwick, Bedfordshire
Background: Occupational Therapy
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In her time at Rehab Without Walls, Joyce has worked with adults with acquired brain injury and complex orthopaedic conditions, many with very challenging behaviour. She has also case managed children with cerebral palsy. Joyce has developed skills to manage conflicts in challenging family situations. She is experienced in managing complex 24-hour care packages and coordinating multi-disciplinary teams to provide focused rehabilitation packages. Joyce has assisted clients to purchase suitable disabled access properties and coordinated major adaptations, to allow her clients to remain at home.

CASE MANAGER – REHAB WITHOUT WALLS

SEPTEMBER 2010 - PRESENT

Providing case management input for adults and children with acquired brain injury (including cerebral palsy) or spinal injury, who have complex rehabilitation and care needs.

This role involves:

- Assessing need for case management, care and rehabilitation
- Risk assessment and development of risk management strategies
- Designing, developing and monitoring multi-disciplinary rehabilitation packages
- Recruiting, training and managing support workers
- Coordinating services from the statutory and independent sectors

KEY SKILLS AND EXPERIENCE

- ✓ Managing high-risk clients
- ✓ Mental health & challenging behaviour
- ✓ Managing complex care packages & MDTs

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

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| • BSc(Hons) Occupational Therapy (University of Zimbabwe) | 1996 |
| • Assessment of Motor Process Skills Certificate | 2009 |
| • MSc Advanced Occupational Therapy (University of Northampton) | 2012 |
| • Best Interests Assessor Certificate | 2016 |

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PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

- **Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust – Milton Keynes**
Senior 1 Occupational Therapist **Apr 2006 – Aug 2010**
Provided inpatient occupational therapy assessments and intervention in the main unit and community-based assessments and intervention in BIRT community houses, for clients with acquired brain injury and challenging behaviour. Undertook goal planning and assessed and managed risk. Designed and developed occupational therapy programmes as part of a multidisciplinary team. Assessed and prepared clients for return to work and supervised basic grade occupational therapists, occupational therapy assistants and support workers.
- **South Essex Partnership NHS Trust – Community Learning Disabilities**
Senior II Occupational Therapist **Feb 2005 – Mar 2006**
Conducted community-based assessments and rehabilitation for clients with learning disabilities and worked with them towards resettlement.
- **St Giles Medical Rehabilitation Centre (Zimbabwe) - Adult & Paediatric Neurology**
Principal Therapist **Oct 2001 – Jan 2005**
Delivered occupational therapy specialist services to adults with neurological conditions and to children in a special needs school. Conducted workplace assessments and work hardening with a focus on ergonomics and return to work.
- **Chinhoyi Provincial Hospital (Zimbabwe)**
Basic Grade, Senior & District Occupational Therapist **Jan 1997 – Sep 2001**
Rotation in mental health, burns unit, rheumatology and hand therapy, community-based rehabilitation, outreach services, orthopaedics, neurology, medical and respiratory departments. Responsible for managing and supervising occupational therapy staff in two district hospitals, as District Occupational Therapist.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Enjoys netball , Zumba and Cobrafit

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

- **HCPC** Health & Care Professions Council
- **BAOT** British Association of Occupational Therapists
- **COTSS NP** College of Occupational Therapy Specialist Section - Neurological Practice
- **BABICM** British Association of Brain Injury Case Managers