

CURRICULM VITAE

VICKI GILMAN MSc MCSP, Chartered Physiotherapist

PERSONAL PARTICULARS

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QUALIFICATIONS

1996 MSc in Neurorehabilitation
Brunel University

1988 Graduate Diploma in Physiotherapy
Kings College Hospital

REGISTRATIONS

Chartered Society of Physiotherapy number - CSP no:48216

Health Professions Council number - PH39586

BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

My experience and qualifications and areas of interest, which enable me in my work with acquired brain injury and Neurodisability, are as follows:

A graduate diploma of physiotherapy obtained in 1988 from King's College, London and a Master of Science degree in neuro-rehabilitation obtained in 1996 from Brunel University.

Working experience through all specialities within physiotherapy followed by six years experience in a specialised military neuro-rehabilitation unit, treating predominantly young adults with brain injury, spinal injury and often a combination of neurological and other problems.

Further experience gained setting up, managing and working clinically within an NHS multidisciplinary specialist team treating sub-acute neurological cases who had moved back into their own community.

This has been followed by working in private practice since 1995 treating neurologically impaired individuals in clinical and community settings. In 2004 I formed Neural Pathways, an interdisciplinary therapy team, specialising in the community rehabilitation of acquired

neurological disabilities. In this capacity I have maintained a clinical workload as well as managing the team, coordinating and developing the service. The award winning Neural Pathways team frequently fulfil the needs of individuals who are funded by legal settlements. We work closely with case managers and receivers to ensure the provision of appropriate and effective therapy and rehabilitation tailored around individual need and local NHS provision.

In addition, for the past fourteen years I have undertaken a caseload of legal work as an expert witness in the brain injury field. Of this work approximately 40% is as a single joint expert, 40% claimant expert and 20% defence expert. I have given evidence in court and have undertaken expert witness training.

I am registered with the Health Professionals Council, a member of The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy, the Association of Physiotherapists Interested in Neurology and the Physiotherapy Acquired Brain Injury Network as well as being on the committee of the Northern Acquired Brain Injury Forum, I am also on the AHP steering group at the University of Teesside

I am regularly asked to speak on neuro-rehabilitation issues and have undertaken research in this field.

Particular areas of interest, experience and post-graduate training include:

- The Bobath approach to the neurologically impaired adult (3-weeks)
- Patterns of recovery in neurological conditions in community setting (Msc thesis)
- The relationship between balance, gait and falls (research projects)
- The role of the multidisciplinary team in brain injury rehabilitation (work-based study)
- Neuro Rehabilitation in the Intermediate Care Setting (work based development project)
- Slow-stream, long-term rehabilitation outcomes (work-based development project)
- Extending rehabilitation into community settings using community resources (work-based development project)
- Isokinetics in neurology (work-based study)
- Hydrotherapy provision and access in Neurodisability (case studies)
- Access to Leisure and Sport (ATLAS) Leonard Cheshire Project (lottery-funded)
- Physical rehabilitation and cognitive impairment (research project and case studies)
- Enabling Interior Design (Design2Enable service for private houses and specialist care settings)
- Membership of steering group for the North East Child Brain Injury Trust (CBiT) initiative.
- Membership of the Executive committee of Northern Acquired Brain Injury Forum (NABIF)

- Member of the Northern Association of Chartered Physiotherapists Interested in Neurology (ACPIN)

EMPLOYMENT

Nov 89 – June 89	MID-ESSEX HEALTH AUTHORITY <i>Staff Physiotherapist</i> Rotations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> □ Paediatric Development Centre □ Care of the Elderly □ Outpatients
June 89 – Sept 90	QUEEN ELIZABETH MILITARY HOSPITAL <i>Senior II Physiotherapist</i>
Sept 89 – Sept 91	<i>Acting Senior I</i> Neuro-rehabilitation Unit
Sept 90 – Aug 94	QUEEN ELIZABETH MILITARY HOSPITAL <i>Senior 1 Physiotherapist</i> Neuro-rehabilitation Unit
Sept 94 – Aug 95	CROYDON COMMUNITY NHS TRUST <i>Superintendent III Physiotherapist</i> <i>Team Leader</i> Specialist Neuro-rehabilitation Team
Sept 95 – Feb 96	NEWCASTLE CITY HEALTH TRUST <i>Locum Physiotherapist</i> Learning Disabilities
March 95 – March 2004	ABILITY FOR YOU LTD <i>Clinical Director and Physiotherapist</i>
March 2004	NEURAL PATHWAYS (UK) LTD <i>Director and</i> <i>Clinical Specialist Neuro-Physiotherapist</i>