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I have been qualified for over a decade and worked as an approved social worker, specialising in mental health and general adult social work. I qualified as a Social Worker in 2000, achieved a BA (Hons) in Social Work in 2003. I achieved the Post Qualifying Award in Social Work in 2005. I have broad social work experience and expertise and practiced as an approved social worker (AMHP) for five years and a senior social worker for a further five years. I now work as an independent social worker producing Mental Health Review Tribunal reports, assessments of need, reassessments and reviews for private individuals, legal firms and local authorities. I am a trained Best Interest Assessor, having qualified in 2013 through Bournemouth University and have been completing independent Capacity Assessments and Best Interest Assessments under The Mental Capacity Act 2005, for local authorities since this time.

EDUCATION:

City & Guilds of London Institute NVQ level 2- Special Care Needs.

1996 - 1998 Northbrook College Worthing West Sussex

BTEC GNVQ- Health & Social Care (Advanced)

1998 - 2000 University College Chichester West Sussex

Diploma in Social Work (CCETSW)

June 2000 – University College Chichester, West Sussex.

BA (Hons) Studies in Social Work

September 2003 – Sussex University, Falmer, Brighton, West Sussex.

Post Qualifying Award in Social Work

September 2005 – West Sussex County Council.

FURTHER TRAINING:

Sept 1994-Feb 1995 Open University

"Working with Older People (Course P654)" (4 assignments; 50 Hours study)

July 2001 West Sussex Joint Training Initiative & The Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health, Worthing, West Sussex.

"Care Management and Risk Management Training"

July 2001 West Sussex Joint Training Initiative & The Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health, Worthing, West Sussex.

"Role of the Care Coordinator"

Feb 2003- July 2003 University of Brighton

"Mental Health Social Work Award" (Approved Social Work Training)

October 2005 West Sussex Joint Training Initiative & The Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health, Worthing, West Sussex.

"Contingency & Crisis Planning"

November 2005 University of Brighton, East Sussex

"Mental Health & Substance Misuse"

Dec 2006 West Sussex County Council/ Sussex Police Service

"Joint Investigation in Adult Protection"

March 2007 Beresford Blake Thomas, Brighton

"First Aid Appointed Person"

April 2008 Priory Group

"Revised Mental Health Act 2007"

"HCR20" (violence risk assessment scheme)

"PCLR-SV" (assessment of psychopathy)

"RSVP" (risk for sexual violence protocol)

June 2009 West Sussex County Council

"Child Protection"

January 2010 Refugee Council London

"Age (Merton) Assessments"

January 2010 Sussex Partnership Trust

"Self-Directed Support"

January 2010 Sussex Partnership Trust

"STEPPS TRAINING"

(Systems Training for Emotional Predictability and Problem Solving)

November 2010 Willis Palmer

"Risk Assessment In Cases Of Child Sexual Abuse"

February 2011 Cardiff University law School Bond Solon

"Family Expert Witness Certificate"

July 2013 Bournemouth University

"Best Interest Assessor"

August 2013 Notts Health Care NHS Trust

"Professional Development Training"

September 2013 Notts Health Care NHS Trust

[&]quot;Supervision training"

February 2014 Birmingham University

"Assessing risk in sex offenders who have learning difficulties"

March 2015 Shropshire Council

"Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Best Interest Assessor & Mental Health Assessor West Midlands Annual Update Training"

March 2016 Shropshire Council

"Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Best Interest Assessor & Mental Health Assessor West Midlands Annual Update Training"

June 2020 Bond Solon

"Legal Update for Expert Witnesses"

October 2020-11-07 NCFR Level 2

"Understanding Autism"

February 2021 EDGE Training

"Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Best Interest Assessor & Mental Health Assessor Annual Update Training"
February 2022 EDGE Training

"Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Best Interest Assessor & Mental Health Assessor Annual Update Training"

CURRENT POST:

March 2015 ongoing:

I currently work as an independent social worker, assessing the physical and mental health needs and best interests of vulnerable adults, their families and carers. I work in a strength-based way with clients, taking positive risks and taking a strength-based approach in meeting their needs, re-engaging clients with their community and informal care networks. I have experience of working in both physical and mental health social work teams, which enables me to assess the impact of individual's situations on their current and long-term care needs. I continue to complete Capacity Assessments and Best Interest Assessments under The Mental Capacity Act, assessments of need, care plans, reassessments and carers assessments, under the Community Care Act.

December 2021 to January 2022

Social Worker

Nottinghamshire Strength Based Approach Team

Duties in Post:

- work in a strength-based way with clients, taking positive risks and taking strength-based approach to help them meet their needs.
- re-engaging clients with their community and informal care networks.
- work with vulnerable, disabled, older and working age adults with early onset dementia, physical and other mental health needs.
- undertake assessments of need and support plans under and the Community Care Act.
- undertake assessments in regard to Mental Capacity and Best Interests.
- work as part of a busy duty system.
- awareness of and work within local authority's MOSAIC computer system.
- work as a self-employed person, managing own time, meeting deadlines and tight time scales using resilience, organisation and problem-solving skills.

- work with and gather information from relatives and other informal and formal agencies.
- work within the Community Care Act, Mental Health Act, Carers Act, Carers Recognition and Services Act, Mental Capacity Act and Code of Practice.
- awareness of and work within local authority's Safeguarding Adults policy.

January 2021-April 2021 Social Worker ICS Assessments Limited Duties in Post:

- undertake assessments of need and support plans under the Community Care Act.
- work in a strength-based way with clients, taking positive risks and taking strength-based approach to meeting their needs.
- undertake assessments in regard to Mental Capacity and Best Interests.
- re-engaging clients with their community and informal care networks.
- re-assessing the needs and best interests of adults, living in the community and in residential care, suffering with physical and mental health difficulties.
- work as a self-employed person, managing own time, meeting deadlines and tight time scales.
- work with and gather information from relatives and other informal and formal agencies.
- work within the Community Care Act, Mental Health Act, Carers Act, Carers Recognition and Services Act, Mental Capacity Act and Code of Practice.
- awareness of and work within local authority's Safeguarding Adults policy.
- awareness of and work within local authority's MOSAIC computer system.

September 2014-March 2015 Locum Social Worker, Bedfordshire DOLs Team Duties in Post:

- assessing the best interests of individuals suffering with an impairment of the mind and brain that are deprived of their liberty.
- undertake assessments in regard to Mental Capacity and Best Interests.
- working as a self-employed person, managing own time, meeting deadlines and tight time scales.
- completing Capacity Assessments and Best Interest Assessment paperwork specific to the local authority that has instructed me.
- working with and gathering information from relatives and other disciplines.
- using specific interview techniques to assess the capacity of individuals to make informed decisions.
- work within the Community Care Act, Mental Health Act, Carers Act, Carers Recognition and Services Act, Mental Capacity Act and Code of Practice.
- awareness of and working within the local authorities Safeguarding Adults policy.

June 2014- August 2014 Locum Social Worker, CMHT, Leicester County Council. Duties in Post:

- work with both male and female service users with a forensic history and mental health problems in the community.
- complete assessments of need, care plans and work with the direct payments scheme to enable service users to purchase their own care.
- review existing care services in place.
- use Liquid Logic systems.
- complete carers assessments.
- work within the local authorities safeguarding vulnerable adults policy and implement this.
- work within the Children Act, Community Care Act, Mental Health Act, Carers Act, Carers Recognition and Services Act.
- to work with outside agencies including health professionals.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work as part of a multi-disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care
 pathway for patients and their families and carers. These service users <u>all</u> have
 complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues

February 2014- June 2014

Locum Forensic Social Worker, Herschel Prins Community Forensic Team, Leicester City.

Duties in Post:

- work with community forensic service users, their carers and families.
- complete assessments of need, care plans and work with the direct payments scheme to enable service users to purchase their own care.
- review existing care services in place.
- use Liquid Logic systems.
- complete carers assessments.
- work within the local authorities safeguarding vulnerable adults policy and implement this.
- to work with outside agencies including probation, MAPPA and health professionals.
- prepare and present Ministry of Justice, court and tribunal reports.
- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act, Community Care Act, Carers Act, Carers Recognition and Services Act.

- work as part of a multi-disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care
 pathway for patients and their families and carers. These service users <u>all</u> have
 complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues
 - forensic backgrounds and a possible history of dangerousness.

February 2011-August 2012 returning in December 2012- February 2014

Team Manager/Locum Forensic Social Worker, Arnold Lodge Medium Secure Unit, Nottingham NHS. Duties in Post:

- act as team manager for the social work department between December 2012 to July 2013 at Arnold Lodge Hospital. Managing a team of four practitioners and the social work service.
- provide supervision to social workers.
- contribute to hospital policy writing and approval.
- work with the service user's families and victims to support them to understand the hospital, court and Home Office procedures.
- work within women's and male mental illness wards.
- work with child protection agencies and complete child protection and visiting procedures to ensure safe environments for families and children visiting the service users.
- practise as a qualified Social Worker within a secure inpatient setting for medium security service users.
- Work and implement the local authorities safeguarding vulnerable adults policy throughout the staff at Arnold Lodge.
- Work with outside agencies including probation, MAPPA, prisons and local authorities.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway
 for patients and their families and carers. These service users <u>all</u> have complex
 needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues
 - forensic backgrounds and a possible history of dangerousness.

August 2011-December 2011

Forensic Social Worker, Cygnet Hospital Stevenage, Medium Secure Unit. Duties in Post:

work within the women's service.

- work with the service user's families and victims to support them to understand the hospital, court and Home Office procedures.
- work with child protection agencies and complete child protection and visiting procedures to ensure safe environments for families and children visiting the service users.
- work within the local authorities safeguarding adults policy and implement this throughout the staff at Cygnet Hospital.
- work with outside agencies including probation, MAPPA and local authorities.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work as part of a multi-disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care
 pathway for patients and their families and carers. These service users <u>all</u> have
 complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues
 - forensic backgrounds and a history of dangerousness.

August 2010-August 2011 Social Worker Sanctuary Personnel Special Projects Team Duties in Post:

- re-assessing the needs and best interests of individuals, receiving home care services while living in the community in the Doncaster and West Sussex areas.
- re-assessing the needs of clients who suffer with physical and mental health difficulties.
- working as a self-employed person, managing own time, meeting deadlines and tight time scales.
- working with and gathering information from relatives and other disciplines.
- work within the Community Care Act, Mental Health Act, Carers Act, Carers Recognition and Services Act, Capacity Act and Code of Practice.
- awareness of and working within the local authorities Safeguarding Adults policy.
- completing care plans of eligible clients and sign posting non eligible clients to voluntary and independent agencies.

June 2010-August 2010 Locum Senior Social Worker Birmingham AOT Birmingham City Council Duties in Post:

- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act to assess and provide safe environments for service users, children and carers.
- work in partnership with Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services as well as child protection services.
- complete assessments of need, care plans and work with the direct payments scheme to enable service users to purchase their own care.

- review existing care services in place.
- deliver mental health care as part of a multi-disciplinary team in a form that is acceptable to community-based service users who are usually reluctant to engage with mental health services. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions,
 - personality disorder,
 - learning disability.

September 2009-June 2010

Locum Senior Social Worker Horsham CMHT West Sussex Social Services Duties in Post:

- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act to assess and provide safe environments for service users, children and carers.
- work in partnership with Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services as well as child protection services.
- practise as a qualified Social Worker within a community, recovery team setting with mental health service users.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports. Including assessments of capacity, views of the multi-disciplinary team, risks to self and others.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway for patients, their families and carers. These service users <u>all</u> have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues.

January 2009-May 2009

Locum Senior Forensic Practitioner, Hellingly Hospital, East Sussex Social Services. **Duties in Post:**

- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act to assess and provide safe environments for visiting procedures.
- Work with child protection agencies to ensure safe environments for families and service users.
- practise as a qualified Social Worker within an secure inpatient setting with low security service users, as well as community based service users.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports. Including assessments of capacity, views of the multi-disciplinary team, risks to self and others.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway
 for patients, their families and carers. These service users <u>all</u> have complex needs
 including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness

- organic conditions
- personality disorder
- learning disability
- substance misuse issues
- a history of dangerousness

January 2008 - January 2009

Approved Senior Social Worker, Farmfield Hospital, Priory Secure Services, West Sussex. Duties in Post:

- work with child protection agencies to ensure safe environments for families and service users.
- practise as a qualified Social Worker within a secure inpatient setting for low and medium security service users.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act to assess and provide safe environments for visiting procedures.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway
 for patients and their families and carers. These service users <u>all</u> have complex
 needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues
 - forensic backgrounds and a possible history of dangerousness.

January 2005 - January 2008

Approved Senior Social Worker, Assertive Outreach Team, Southern Locality, Sussex Partnership NHS Trust, West Sussex.

Duties in Post:

To deliver mental health care as part of a multi-disciplinary team in a form that is acceptable to community-based service users who are usually reluctant to engage with mental health services. These service users <u>all</u> have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:

- severe and enduring mental illness
- organic conditions,
- personality disorder,
- learning disability.

June 2004 - January 2005

St. Barnabas Hospice, Durrington, Worthing, West Sussex

Senior Social Worker

I was working with an agency during unpaid maternity leave at the hospice which cared for People (inpatients and community patients) with a terminal illness.

Duties in Post:

• providing assessments, reassessments and care plans for adults under the care of the hospice.

- implementing these care plans with the local authority's home care services and private agencies.
- working with and gathering information from relatives and other disciplines.
- work within the Community Care Act, Mental Health Act, Carers Recognition and Services Act, Capacity Act and Codes of Practice.

June 2000 - January 2005

West Sussex Social Services Dept, Midhurst CMHT, West Sussex

Approved Social Worker

After qualifying I worked in this semi-rural community mental health team initially as a social worker with in Midhurst CMHT then as an Approved Senior Social Worker.

Duties in Post:

- providing assessments, reassessments and care plans for adults.
- implementing these care plans.
- working with and gathering information from relatives and other disciplines.
- work within the Community Care Act, Mental Health Act, Carers Recognition and Services Act, Capacity Act and Codes of Practice.
- work with child protection agencies to ensure safe environments for children, their families and service users.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway
 for patients and their families and carers. These service users <u>all</u> have complex
 needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
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 - substance misuse issues
 - forensic backgrounds and a possible history of dangerousness

Oct 1998 - 2000

West Sussex Social Services Dept, Home Care Team, Littlehampton Care Assistant, Home Care Team.

Reason for leaving: To pursue a career in social work.

May 1995- Oct 1998

West Sussex Social Services Dept. Hampton House, Littlehampton Care Assistant Part 3 Residential Care Home.