



Jane Pratley BSc (Hons) MSc PGC

PROFILE

Jane has been working as a neuro-physiotherapist for 17 years; for the last 8 years she has specialized in working with people with complex physical disability, focusing on a 24 hour posture management approach. Jane has worked in a variety of neuro-rehabilitation and community settings, including work for the Specialist Disability Service in Oxford and Acquired Brain Injury Services.

In addition to providing support and clinical skill in accessing the right equipment, Jane believes a key part of her role is to support clients and their primary carers to adopt a posture management approach as part of everyday life. Posture management is a balancing act, involving compromise both in terms of equipment and implementation of gentle strategies to protect body shape and Jane aims to support individuals, their families and support teams in this evolving process.

Jane's clinical expertise is consolidated by membership of special interest groups and post-graduate study at MSc and PGC level. Jane currently works independently and in the NHS.

KEY SKILLS:

- Adult neuro-rehabilitation including working with people with Acquired Brain Injury, Persistent Vegetative and Low Awareness States, Challenging behaviours and long-term degenerative disorders
- Complex physical disability in both adults and children
- Cerebral Palsy
- Knowledge of Neuro-physiotherapy approaches and treatment adjuncts such as splinting, exercise equipment and mobility aids

EDUCATION:

Leeds Metropolitan University (1996)
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POST GRADUATE TRAINING:

- 2008 – MSc Neuro-rehabilitation. Brunel University, London.
- 2005 – Post Graduate Certificate in Posture Management for people with complex disabilities. Oxford Brookes University.

CAREER REVIEW:

- July 2011-Current time Associate Posture and Seating specialist, Wheel of Health and Independent Living Solutions
Independent Physiotherapist – Posture and Seating Specialist
- Working with adults and children with complex physical disability and facilitating the provision of all types of mobility and positioning equipment based on a thorough understanding of the individual's postural, social and environmental needs
- Expertise in supporting clients and their support teams in how to adopt a practical and integrated approach to posture management to optimise quality of life, function and protect body shape
- July 2007-Aug 2009 Senior Physiotherapist
NHS – Specialist Disability Service, Oxford Centre for Enablement
Outpatient and community 24hr physical management service for adults and children with complex physical disability
Extensive experience in the assessment and provision of custom contoured seating systems
- Jan 1998 – June 2007 Senior Neuro-Physiotherapist
NHS and private sector roles
Wide-ranging experience working in adult neuro-rehabilitation including community neuro and stroke rehabilitation, specialist in-patient rehabilitation for people with acquired brain injury and work on an acute neuro-surgical/medical ward
- Jan 1997-Aug 1998 Rotational Staff grade physiotherapist
NHS – Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield
Grounded foundation in physiotherapy clinical skills in a large teaching hospital

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

- Chartered Society of Physiotherapist
- Association of Chartered Physiotherapists Interested in Neurology (ACPIN)
- Posture and Mobility Group (PMG)
- Registered with Health Professions Council