



## Wheel of Health

### Louise Lloyd BSc (Hons)

#### PROFILE

Louise is a highly competent and skilled occupational therapist with over thirteen years of experience, specialising in posture management and wheelchair provision. She has a special interest in pressure care, special seating and paediatric seating. Louise regularly attends training and exhibitions in order to stay up to date with product developments.

Louise is a self-motivated individual dedicated to providing high quality assessment and intervention to help clients reach their potential. She is truly passionate about the profession of occupational therapy and committed to provide high standards of care. Louise works collaboratively with clients and their families in order for them to achieve their goals.

#### KEY SKILLS:

- Specialist knowledge in seating, wheelchair provision, 24-hour postural care, moving and handling, aids to daily living and minor adaptations.
- Vast product knowledge of power chairs, active user chairs, pressure cushions, special seating, paediatric wheelchairs and buggies, wheelchair accessories, sleep systems and static seating.
- Experience of working with both children and adults with a variety of complex conditions including neurological disorders, learning disabilities and catastrophic injuries.
- Pro-active in maintaining and furthering skills in the profession, regularly attending training, new product demonstrations and maintaining a high standard of continued professional development.
- Effective interpersonal skills capable of building good rapport with clients and professionals.

#### EDUCATION:

University College Northampton  
BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy - Class 2:1

#### POST GRADUATE TRAINING:

- 2015 Postural Challenges and Seating Solutions, BES Rehab
- 2015 Pressure Care Management, BES Rehab
- 2014 Measurement of Body Symmetry, Postural Care Skills
- 2014 Housing Adaption and Design Parts 1-4, Viva Access
- 2013 Chailey Posture Management, Chailey Heritage
- 2012 Posture Management for Adults and Children with Complex Disabilities
- Regular attendance at Posture and Mobility Group Annual Conference

#### CAREER REVIEW:

June 2015 to present	Associate, Wheel of Health Ltd, Hampshire Independent Occupational Therapist/Wheelchair and Seating Specialist
	Provides assessment of seating and postural needs for children and adults with complex disabilities.
July 2014 to present	Associate at the OT Practice
	Assessment of children and adults with complex disabilities, predominantly for recommendations for wheelchairs, powerchairs, static seating, night time

positioning, moving and handling equipment and adaptations. Also provide consultancy service for wheelchair service tender bids.

September 2013 to present Specialist Occupational Therapist, locum, various locations.

Various roles including NHS wheelchair services (Oxford, Milton Keynes, Hillingdon and Harrow, East Berkshire and Dudley) including clinical lead and team leader. Assessment of adults and children with complex seating needs. Prescription and provision of special seating, power chairs and active user chairs. Responsible for special seating clinics and complex posture clinics. Providing both informal and formal supervision to all clinical members of the team. Developed, implemented and delivered Trusted Assessor training programs and process. Heavily involved in service development including approved repairer tender process, streamlining processes and developing innovations to reduce waiting lists. Currently working part time at Dudley Wheelchair Service, completing special seating and complex postural assessments.

July 2011 to Sept 2013 Senior Wheelchair Therapist, Wheelchair Service, Solent NHS Trust, Portsmouth

Held a full caseload of clients of all ages and wide ranging disabilities, prescribing special seating, power chairs, active user chairs and paediatric seating systems. Responsible for prioritising special seating, paediatric and general waiting lists. Effective team leader. Supporting, supervising and appraising staff. Further developed specialist skills in posture management.

March 2009 to July 2011 Specialist Occupational Therapist, Wheelchair Assessment Service, Kent Community Health NHS Trust

Deputised on a regular basis in the absence of the team leader. Involved in the development of clinical pathways with the head of the service. Played an active role in new team members' induction process. Prioritised and managed a demanding caseload, which required strong time management and organisation skills.

Jan 2007 to March 2009 Specialist Occupational Therapist, Wheelchair Service, Milton Keynes PCT

Developed sound knowledge of posture management, seating products and pressure care. Held a large caseload of clients and was responsible for completing assessments of their needs and setting treatment goals. Increased knowledge of chronic progressive neurological conditions, spinal injury, brain injury and learning difficulties

#### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:**

- British Association of Occupational Therapists and College of Occupational Therapists – Professional Member: BT0226358
- Health and Care Professionals Council – Professional Member: OT41132
- College of Occupational Therapists Specialist Section (COTSS-IP) – Independent Practice: 6899
- Posture and Mobility Group (PMG)

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