



Wheel of Health

Christine Müller

PROFILE

I am a state-registered Occupational Therapist with 14 years post-graduate experience. During this time, I have worked in a variety of settings with clients of all age groups and a wide range of different conditions, needs and levels of complexity. I have many years' experience of working in the NHS and have also worked in a private setting in Germany.

I have been interested in and passionate about 24-hour posture management throughout my career as an Occupational Therapist and have specialised in this area for more than 10 years.

I am professional, hard-working and flexible, have a client-centred approach and am committed to finding the best solutions for the clients I work with.

KEY SKILLS:

- Assessment of clients of all age groups with a wide range of different conditions and varying levels of complexity
- Assessment of mobility needs and provision of manual and powered wheelchairs
- Powered wheelchair driving assessments and training
- Complex posture assessments
- Assessment for and provision of specialist seating equipment
- Custom contoured seating
- Advice on posture management and pressure care
- Effective communication and report writing skills
- Collaborative working with clients, their families and carers, as well as other professionals
- Leadership and management skills

EDUCATION:

Brighton University BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy – Class 2:1

POST-GRADUATE TRAINING:

- 2016 - 2017 – Oxford Brookes University: Post Graduate Certificate in Posture Management for People with Complex Disability (Pass with Distinction)
- 2015 – Sussex Community NHs Foundation Trust: Pressure Care Training - Assessment of Pressure Ulcers
- 2012 – Sunrise Medical Training Event- Seating and Positioning for Function and Mobility
- 2012 - Mary Massery Training: Soda-pop Can Model of Postural Control
- 2011 - PMG National Training Event (Warwick University)
- 2010 – Chailey Approach to Posture Management
- 2009 – Oxford Centre for Enablement: Posture Management for People with Complex Disabilities (4-day course)
- 2007 – Mind Fields College London Training event: Effective Brief Therapy for Depression
- 2006 – National Spinal Injuries Centre Buckinghamshire Hospitals NHS Trust: Wheelchair Masterclass
- 2005 – Brighton and Hove Council: Ramps – Feasibility and Design

CAREER REVIEW:

July 2019 - present

Associate, Wheel of Health, Hampshire
Independent Occupational Therapist/Wheelchair and Seating Specialist
Comprehensive assessment of posture, seating and mobility needs.
Professional recommendations and equipment provision to achieve optimal posture support, pressure care and function.

- July 2011 - present
Senior Wheelchair Therapist / Team Lead
Wheelchair and Specialist Seating Service
Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust
Assessment and wheelchair-seating provision for clients with complex and specialist seating needs. Therapy Lead for Specialist Seating Service (custom contoured seating). Team Lead for Brighton Wheelchair Service.
- June 2009 - June 2011
Senior Wheelchair Therapist
Wheelchair and Specialist Seating Service
Sussex Community NHS Foundation Trust
Assessment and wheelchair provision for clients with long-term mobility needs, including complex needs and specialist seating needs.
- Nov 2008 – May 2009
Wheelchair Therapist
Brighton Wheelchair and Specialist Seating Service
Sussex Community NHS Trust
Assessment and wheelchair provision for clients with long-term mobility needs, including complex needs
- June 2007 – Oct 2008
Occupational Therapist
Praxis Bärbel Diehl (Outpatient Service for Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy, Paediatrics and Neurology), Stuttgart, Germany
Assessment and treatment of children with neurological and / or developmental problems, physical and learning disabilities
Assessment and treatment of adults with neurological conditions.
- Oct 2005 – May 2007
Occupational Therapy Rotation
South Downs Health NHS Trust
Neurology Rehabilitation (Sussex Rehab Centre, Southlands Hospital, Shoreham)
Wheelchair and Seating Service (Brighton Wheelchair Service)
Inpatient Psychiatry (Mill View Hospital, Brighton)
Community Occupational Therapy and Minor Adaptations (Brighton and Hove Council)
- September 2005
Occupational Therapist
Royal Sussex County Hospital Brighton
Occupational Therapy assessment and discharge planning for patients with acute respiratory conditions

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS:

- Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC), Professional member: OT44190
- Royal College of Occupational Therapists (RCOT), Professional member: BT0227572
- Member of Posture and Mobility Group (PMG)
- Staatlich anerkannte Ergotherapeutin (State-approved Occupational Therapist) in Germany
- ICO Registration

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