



Debbie Chadwick

SPECIALISMS:

Amputations, Brain Injury Cerebral Palsy Orthopaedics Peripheral Nerve Injuries Spinal Injury Stroke



PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- Diploma College of Occupational Therapy
- OT Registered – American Association of Occupational Therapists
- NEBS Management Diploma / NVQ 4 in Management
- Functional Capacity Evaluator UK Certified
- Care Certificate Trainer and Assessor / Healthcare Trainer Quals Level 3
- Expert Witness Certificate Civil Law (Bond Solon/Cardiff Law School)
- Royal College of Occupational Therapists – Full professional member
- HCPC registered
- CMSUK – Full professional member
- BABICM – Registered Practitioner
- Occupational Therapists in Independent Practice (RCOT specialist section)
- Occupational Therapy in Work (RCOT specialist section)
- Occupational Therapy Neurological Conditions (RCOT specialist section)

EXPERIENCE

I qualified as an Occupational Therapist in 1989 and has worked across the UK and USA. For over 15 years I have combined Independent clinical OT practice with Senior Case Management and Expert Witness work specialising in the fields of Neurology and multi-Complex Trauma. I am a trained Functional Capacity Evaluator and Healthcare Trainer with experience in vocational rehabilitation assessment and care training. This diversity allows me to maintain an extended network of professional contacts and for clinical skills to be continually updated.

I have held several senior and managerial positions overseeing therapeutic delivery to patients within various settings in both statutory and private sector departments focussing on rehabilitation, functional recovery, equipment needs, home adaptation and return to work.



I can prepare compliant Expert Witness Occupational Therapy reports for the court including those in:

- Amputation
- Brain Injury
- Cerebral Palsy
- Hand Injuries
- Orthopaedics
- Peripheral Nerve Injuries
- Spinal Injury
- Stroke

I am aware of my responsibilities under the Civil Procedure Rules pertaining to expert witnesses. I have undertaken training for expert witnesses and continue my professional development through attending regular conferences and workshops targeted to those working in the field of medical litigation.