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Personal Profile

I am motivated and passionate about enabling people with additional needs and their families to achieve their goals. I have extensive experience as a Speech and Language Therapist (in a range of settings), a Personal Assistant and as a trustee for a national charity. I am sociable with excellent interpersonal communication skills and value being a 'team player' both to support others and to continue developing my own learning. I am committed to ensuring everyone receives equal opportunities, both in education and their everyday lives by providing and modelling individually tailored support and encouraging high expectations and aspirations.

Professional Qualifications

2006 – 2010 [Newcastle University](#) - BSc Hons Speech and Language Therapy and Pathology
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2014 [Sheffield University](#) - Post Graduate Dysphagia Qualification

Training received

- AAC clinical excellence networks
- Grid 3 expert day - Smartbox
- AAC meetings with differing specialist departments
- Communication Matters roadshows
- Getting started with Snap and Core first – Tobii Dynavox
- Safeguarding
- Hearing Impairment
- Child Brain Injury Trust Master class
- Talk Tools
- Intensive Interaction
- Makaton for Professionals
- ATtherapy also meet regularly with different companies to learn about their new hardware and software developments.

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Training delivered

- Formal presentations and training to SLT's, school staff, other professionals and parents. Including training about various therapy methods e.g. PECS, Objects of Reference, Intensive Interaction; training about specific software e.g. Grid 3 and Proloquo 2 Go; training on specific children's communication skills, more general training about adapting the curriculum to suit a child's communication level and needs and training around eating, drinking and swallowing including the risks involved, strategies to minimise these risks and developing oral motor skills.

Work experience

[ATtherapy March 2018 – Present](#)

Highly Specialist Speech and Language Therapist

ATtherapy, independent company providing specialist support. I am based in Carlisle and work with clients across the North of England. I provide specialist assessment and intervention for people with a wide range of communication difficulties including individuals who need AAC such as low-tech means (e.g. eye pointing, using sign, communication books), mid tech devices (e.g. a communication tool operated with batteries which gives a voice output) and high-tech communication aids (e.g. eye gaze). I work closely with Assistive technology to ensure the individual can access their AAC to support them not only to communicate but develop their independence and assert control over their environment. I work with clients within their home and at school/ college.

I support individuals with a range of complex needs, from sensory learners to proficient communication aid users. Including therapy focussing on phonology and articulation (speech sounds), developing verbal language and social skills. I also see a range of clients with eating, drinking and swallowing difficulties providing thorough assessment, interventions and guidelines.

[Cumbria Partnership Foundation Trust NHS - September 2014 – March 2018](#)

Specialist Paediatric Community Speech and Language Therapist (band 6)

Working with children with a range of communication difficulties, learning disabilities/complex needs and feeding difficulties.

[Quarriers Family Support Service - April 2015- December 2016](#)

Weekend support worker/Personal Assistant

For a boy with Autism and ADHD and a teenage girl with Williams syndrome. Facilitating them in their choice of social activities such as youth groups, sports and shopping.

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NHS Dumfries and Galloway - July 2012-August 2014

Paediatric Community Speech and Language Therapist (band 5/6)

Working with children with a range of communication difficulties, learning disabilities/complex needs and feeding difficulties and secondment of AAC Co-ordinator for Dumfries and Galloway.

National Star College - Cheltenham - April 2011 –June 2012

Speech and Language Therapist

(Specialist in Profound and Multiple Learning Disabilities) for people aged 16-25 years with complex physical disabilities, acquired brain injuries and associated learning, medical, emotional and behavioural difficulties. I developed the communication environment in a new PMLD department along with providing 1:1 and group therapy sessions.

NHS Dumfries and Galloway (Fixed Term Maternity Cover) - September 2010 – March 2011

Paediatric Speech and Language Therapist

Supporting children with a range of speech and language difficulties, in schools, nurseries, clinics and at home.

Personal Assistant - 2007 – 2010

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For a girl with severe Cerebral Palsy who used a wheelchair and high-tech communication aid. Supported her to access youth groups, trips out and all aspects of her personal care.

Additional Skills

My various roles and training have deepened my knowledge and experience of a wide range of language and communication disorders and appropriate assessments, target setting, and therapeutic practices based on evidence based practice. The types of therapy I have implemented include: low and high tech AAC such as PECS; visual timetables; communication books and passports; objects of reference; Intensive Interaction; signing (Makaton and Sign Along), sensory stories; using switches and simple message devices; and high tech AAC devices with varying access methods. I have also implemented therapy focussing on articulation and phonological development; language development; social communication skills and life skills.

In my spare time I am a trustee responsible for helping to run the national AAC charity '1Voice - Communicating Together' my role particularly focuses on organising and running activities at national weekend events, managing volunteers and AAC role models and more recently developing social media. I have been involved with the charity for ten years, initially as a

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volunteer; these roles and experiences have allowed me to meet several truly inspirational people and learn about the barriers and difficulties that people who use AAC often face, we work to provide support through meeting other families and role-models to overcome isolation. This has helped me to gain an essential insight into the views of clients, carers and families that I incorporate into my Speech and Language Therapy practice.

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