Lisa Harrison

Case Manager
Independent Occupational Therapist



Profile

A highly experienced and skilled occupational therapist, Lisa specialises in the case management of adults following major catastrophic injuries including polytrauma, brain and spinal injuries.

Specialisms

- Brain injury
- Neuro rehabilitation
- Complex polytrauma
- Amputations
- Psychological trauma
- Functional Capacity Evaluation (FCE)
- Vocational rehabilitation / worksite assessments
- Occupational health
- Major adaptations
- Complex equipment

Ages covered

- Adult
- Paediatric

Biography

Lisa is an independent occupational therapist (OT) and case manager, who qualified in 1996. She has a wide-ranging clinical background and now specialises in vocational rehabilitation, case management, complex neurological rehabilitation and occupational therapy in occupational health.

Alongside her case management role, Lisa works with a wide variety of clients including businesses, statutory bodies and private individuals. Her work includes provision of home and workplace assessments, identification and co-ordination of multidisciplinary rehabilitation, OT treatment and assessment for major adaptations and equipment.

Lisa provides OT assessment, treatment and case management to clients with a wide variety of physical, psychological and cognitive injuries including multiple fractures, amputations, head/brain and spinal injuries. Lisa works predominantly with adults but has clinical experience of working with children.

Lisa utilises a holistic approach within her OT interventions to consider client needs within a bio-psycho-social framework. She endeavours to use evidence-based best practice, in a cost-effective and timely way. She has extensive experience in return to work planning and in work retention strategies and is skilled at report writing, including using Allied Health Professionals Health and Work Report.

Lisa is a committee member of the National Executive Committee of the Royal College of Occupational Therapists Specialist Section for Work (RCOT SS-W).



Qualifications

- UK Functional Capacity Evaluation (Obair and Matheson), 2011
- Post-Registration Developments in the Occupational Therapy Management of Neurological Conditions, University College Northampton, 2000
- BSc (Hons) Occupational Therapy,
 St. Andrew's School of Occupational
 Therapy, Nene College,
 Northampton, 1996

Memberships

- Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC)
- Royal College of Occupational Therapists (RCOT)
- Royal College of Occupational Therapists Specialist Section -Independent Practice
- Royal College of Occupational Therapists Specialist Section - Work
- Society of Occupational Medicine (SOM)
- Case Management Society UK (CMSUK)

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Clinical skills and experience

- Expert assessment and clinical occupational therapy treatment for clients with wide-ranging physical (and associated psychological and cognitive) conditions.
- Extensive experience of vocational rehabilitation, both as an independent practitioner and within health and social care settings, as well as occupational therapy in occupational health.
- Specialist provision of occupational therapy in occupational health, including functional assessments to identify solutions to enable work as a health outcome for clients.
- Highly experienced in working with clients with head/brain injuries, orthopaedic injuries, back and other spinal injuries (including multiple fractures and neurological impairments), upper/lower limb injuries and amputations.
- Clients have been from a variety of vocational backgrounds, including professional, skilled, semi-skilled and manual work and have included both employed and self-employed people.
- Effective provision and co-ordination of physical rehabilitation, pain management strategies and psychological support.
- Specialist expertise in neurological rehabilitation including head injuries and both acquired and progressive neurological conditions.
- Provision of cognitive rehabilitation.
- Wide experience of treating patients with complex social and psychiatric histories, and of varied educational attainment.
 Experience of working with patients from varied ethnic/ cultural backgrounds, including those with limited English.
- Close liaison work with other involved healthcare professionals including consultant surgeons and physicians, general medical practitioners, allied health professionals, social workers, psychologists, psychiatrists and disability employment advisers.
- Committed to continuing professional development full details of recent training are available on request.
- Client and solicitor feedback/testimonials are available on request.



Career history - private sector

Independent Occupational Therapist & Case Manager - Independence Works Ltd

2013 - present

- Specialising in vocational rehabilitation and case management for clients with complex and wide-ranging physical and psychological conditions.
- Workplace and functional assessments to facilitate return to work and work retention.
- Liaison with multidisciplinary professionals to assist rehabilitation and recovery.

Independent Occupational Therapist & Case Manager

2005 - present

- Work with a variety of customers insurers, solicitors, employers and businesses, statutory bodies, private clients and charities.
- Provides vocational rehabilitation and work interventions, assessment for equipment and adaptations and treatment packages.

Rehabilitation Cost Consultant, Jacqueline Webb and Co., Salisbury

2005 - 2007

• Part-time role identifying the needs of injured people and establish the real-world cost of restoring them, as much as possible, to their former lifestyles.

Career history - statutory sector

Queen's Hospital, Burton-on-Trent (General District Hospital in Staffordshire)

1996 - 2005

Variety of posts held including:

Advanced Practitioner OT

2007 - 2008

• Community Resettlement and Reablement Team - managed complex and varied caseload, including neurological conditions, brain injury, limb amputations, general medical and surgical conditions, orthopaedic conditions and mental health problems.

Project Manager, Stroke Services

2007

• Secondment to benchmark service delivery in line with the best practice guidelines.

Acting Head Occupational Therapist

2006 - 2007

• All service areas, including medicine and surgery, elderly care, trauma and orthopaedics, hand injuries, palliative care, stroke and neurological rehabilitation, rapid response to A & E and community resettlement.

Deputy Head (3) Occupational Therapist 2005 - 2006

• All service areas - as above.

Senior 1 Occupational Therapist 2001 - 2005 Senior 2 Occupational Therapist 1998 - 2001 Basic Grade Occupational Therapist 1996 - 1998

Basic Grade Occupational Therapist, City General Hospital, Stoke-on-Trent

1996

