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EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Current employment in South Africa

Since April 2006 **Self-employed in Private Practice, Knysna**
Paediatric Therapy - Specialist interest in Cerebral Palsy, Motor Delay and Early Childhood Intervention for children with motor delay.
Qualified Neurodevelopmental Therapist
Adult Neurology (Stroke/Head Injury/Spinal Cord Injury)
Workers Compensation Assessments/Functional Capacity Assessments

Since August 2007 **Die Sterreweg Day Centre (Plettenberg Bay) for children with moderate to severe cognitive and physical disability**
Assessment and setting of treatment programmes and therapy goals, consultation with parents, community outreach, training and teaching, specialised seating and positioning for C.P postural deformity, splinting, etc

Since January 2008 **Baby Steps – Specialised developmental stimulation groups for babies/toddlers and moms**

Previous permanent employment in the United Kingdom

Feb 2005 – Nov 2005
Position held: **St George's Hospital – Child Development Centre, London**
Senior Paediatric Occupational Therapist
General Medical, Neurosurgery & Neurology, Severe disability, Learning difficulties, Hand Therapy, Congenital Hand Clinics

March 2003 – Jan 2005
Position held: **St George's Hospital, London**
Senior 1 Occupational Therapist, Team Leader
Neurosciences (Neurosurgery/Neurology – Adult and Paediatrics)

April 2002 – March 2003
Position: **Kings College Hospital**
Senior 2 Occupational Therapist
Neurosciences (Neurosurgery/Neurology – Adult)

See the end of CV for further employment history in the United Kingdom (1998 – 2002)

LECTURING AND TRAINING EXPERIENCE

April 2001- Nov 2005 **Harrison Associates Course leader**

- Physical Rehabilitation following Neurological Illness/Injury
- Rehabilitating Upper limb Function through Normal Movement

February 2000 – April 2001 **Harrison Associates Course co-facilitator**

- Assessment and Treatment of Patients with Perceptual and Cognitive Dysfunction

COURSES AND SEMINARS ATTENDED (Continuous Professional Development)

July 2010-07-08	Appropriate Paper Technology
August 2009	Is it Sensory or is it Behaviour Workshop
May 2009	The Ripple Effect – Early Childhood Development Conference
Sept – Nov 2008	Basic Paediatric Neurodevelopmental Therapy Course (8 weeks)
February 2008	Augmentative and Alternative Communication
July 2007	The diagnosis and Treatment of the 0-3 year old
April 2006	Sensory Integration Theory (5 day)
October 2005	Neonate Study Day
July 2005	Paediatric – Integrating NDT and Sensory Integration treatment
April 2005	OT Intervention for Children and Young People with Disabilities
April 2005	Paediatric Treatment Course (5 day)
November 2004	Paediatric Assessment Course (5 day)
November 2004	Brain Tumour Study Day
July 2004	Postural Management Course (3 day)
June 2004	Finding Quality Information
April 2004	Clinical Governance – Half Day Seminar
January 2004 May 2004	NHS Modernisation Agency – Critical Care Improvement Programme
October 2003	Visual Perceptual Dysfunction in Adult Brain Injury (3 day)
October 2003	Dynamic Lycra Orthoses Seminar
April 2003	SMART Course – The assessment and treatment of low consciousness patients after neurological injury (5 day)
March 2003	Dyspraxia – An Evidence Based Approach (3 day)
November 2002	Spinal Injury Handling Training
October 2002	Working with clients in Persistent Vegetative State
September 2002	Hypertonia Workshop
February 2002	The Importance of the Visual Processing System in Achieving Normal Function
August 2001	Moving and Handling
July 2001	NANOT – Evidence Based Practice in TBI
July 2001	CMOP and COPM Study Day
June 2001	Motor Neuron Disease Multi-faceted Care
June 2001	Splinting in Neurology
February 2000	Manual Handling Awareness Day
November 1999	Neurodegenerative Disorders, A Team Approach
September 1999	Facilitating Upper Limb Function Through Normal Movement
April 1999	Splinting the Injured Hand

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND REGISTRATION

The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA)

Registration OT 0032662

The Occupational Therapy Association of South Africa (OTASA)Registration 4344
Secretary of Southern Cape Branch of OTASA**Member of SAISI – South African Institute for Sensory Integration****Member of SANDTA – South African Neurodevelopmental Therapy Association****TERTIARY EDUCATION**

University attended

University of Stellenbosch
Stellenbosch, South Africa
1994 - 1997

Degree obtained

Bachelor (Hons) of Occupational Therapy

Academic achievements

- Passed 2nd year **Cum Laude**
- **Merit Bursary** for 1st year – Leadership
- **Merit Bursary** for 2nd year – Academic Achiever

EARLIER EDUCATION

Junior School attended

Collegiate Junior School for Girls

High School attended

Alexander Road High School

Academic achievements

- **A aggregate for final examinations**
- **Academic Honours**

Other achievements

- **Head Girl (1993)**
- Swimming Captain for 2 years (School & Provincial Colours)

SUMMARY OF EXPERIENCE

- Considerable experience working in multidisciplinary teams and treating/goal setting with other key medical and paramedical professionals.
- Experience and skill in team management and teaching/training junior colleagues and family members to promote a 24-hour approach to treatment.
- Experience working with a wide spectrum of neurological disorders and physical/cognitive disabilities.
- Sound ability to assess, examine and apply appropriate treatment techniques and disability management principles for patients with mild/moderate and severe disability.
- Experience working in the acute medical environment, inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation and the community.
- Experience working in an acute paediatric trauma setting, involvement in commencing early rehabilitation post-surgery/post trauma, assessing patient-specific disability needs and successful return of patients into their home environments.
- Experience in the management of hand impairments and skilled in the fabrication of splints to treat acute hand injuries and hand function.
- Experience in the treatment and management of children with moderate/severe physical and cognitive disability including working alongside parents to understand the overall impact of disability on the child and the family as a whole.
- Knowledge and experience regarding normal child development
- Cognitive rehabilitation
- Assessment and specialised report writing for clients who are unable to continue in their current/other employment due to injury/disability.

Locum employment in the United Kingdom

February – April 2002 Locum Reason for leaving	Central Middlesex Hospital Senior 1 - Neuro/General Rehabilitation Permanent employment offer
September – December 2001 Locum Reason for leaving	Perth Royal Infirmary (Scotland) Senior 2 – Out-patient Neurorehabilitation Contract ended
April – September 2001 Post Reason for leaving	St John's Therapy Centre Senior 2 - Community Neurorehabilitation Team (4 month short-term contract) Permanent member of staff appointed
February – April 2001 Locum Reason for leaving	St John's Therapy Centre Senior 2 - Community Neurorehabilitation Team Accepted 4 month short-term contract
November – December 2000 Locum Reason for leaving	Royal London Hospital Senior 2 – Acute General Medicine Contract ended
August – November 2000 Locum Reason for leaving	Royal London Hospital Senior 2 – Acute Neurology and Neurosurgery Permanent member of staff appointed
May – July 2000 Locum Reason for leaving	Wellington Hospital Senior 2 – Neurorehabilitation Contract ended
April – May 2000 Locum Reason for leaving	Chelsea and Westminster Hospital Senior 2 – Acute General Medicine Neurology locum available
November 1999 – March 2000 Locum Reason for leaving	Wandsworth Social Services Senior - Community Rehabilitation Contract ended
November 1999 Locum Reason for leaving	Kingston Hospital Senior 2 - Orthopaedics 2 week interim locum
July - October 1999 Locum Reason for leaving	Nobles Hospital – Isle of Mann Senior 2 – Acute Medicine Return to London
April – June 1999 Locum Reason for leaving	Wolfson Medical Rehabilitation Centre BG –Neurorehabilitation Contract ended
January – February 1999 Locum Reason for leaving	St. Thomas Hospital BG – Care of the Elderly Contract ended
September – December 1998 Locum Reason for leaving	Greenwich District Hospital BG – Care of the Elderly Contract ended
July – September 1998 Locum Reason for leaving	Mayday Hospital BG – Medical and Surgical Wards Contract ended
September – November 1998 Locum Reason for leaving	West Cumberland Hospital Newly Qualified – Orthopaedics Contract ended