

Case Management Services Ltd

**Jacqueline Anne Taylor BSC OT.**

Jackie qualified as an Occupational Therapist from Caledonian University in June 2003, after which she gained experience in elderly care, orthopedics, and stroke rehabilitation in a hospital environment.

She worked in the orthopaedic/elderly field and was responsible for assessment and provision of equipment in assisting independence and facilitating maximum function prior to discharge. Environmental assessments were conducted to ensure the home environment was appropriate and safe for individuals to return home. Alzheimer's disease was a major factor working within the elderly field; therefore cognitive assessments are an essential part of daily assessments.

Working within the specialised Stroke Unit involved focusing on intense rehabilitation and adaptive techniques to facilitate individuals to obtain as much functional independence as possible. Daily assessments included: activities of daily living, sensory retraining, cognitive assessment, physical assessment, visual impairment, and environmental assessments.

In 2005, she worked within the Community as a Care Manager/Occupational Therapist for the Young Physical Disability Team, where her involved assessing needs, implementing and reviewing care plans, liaising with external agencies, and supporting individuals to live within the community independently and safely. Her clients suffered from various conditions including as multiple sclerosis, spinal injury, hypoxic brain injury and stroke, therefore encompassing both physical and cognitive impairments. In addition, she was responsible for overseeing Independent Living Fund (ILF) and Direct Payments to ensure each client received a care package suited to the their needs.

She has worked with Case Management Services Ltd as an Associate since January 2006. Her role involves carrying out occupational therapy assessments such as task analysis, memory/cognition and environmental assessments. Identified deficits are then discussed with the individual to allow for a working partnership and measures taken to alleviate the difficulties. This can result in rehabilitation sessions, the provision of equipment and or the implementation of a support care package depending on the level of need.

She is a member of the British Association of Occupational Therapists and registered with the Health Professions Council.