

Curriculum Vitae

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Date of Birth: 13/03/1960
Marital Status: Married
Nationality: British

Professional Qualifications:

- HND Diploma in Orthotics
- Dale Carnegie Certificate in “Effective Public Speaking & Human Relationships”
- Vabene Proprioception Technique
- Bond Solon Cardiff University (CUBS) Expert Witness Accredited

Professional:

- HPC State Registered Orthotist (Health Professions Council) Registration No: PO681
- Member of British Association of Prosthetists & Orthotists (BAPO)
- Member of Executive committee BAPO (2005-2006)
- Member of Ethics committee BAPO (2005-2006)
- Member of Professionals Affairs committee BAPO (2005-2006)

Experience:

1983-1985

Camp Ltd

Portsmouth

Hants

Orthotist

- Development of Specialised Paediatrics Clinics
- Development of Articulated AFO for Cerebral Palsy Children
- Development of a Hip Abduction Spinal Orthosis for severely effected Cerebral Palsied children in conjunction with Guy’s Hospital
- Paediatric Orthotist
- Training of orthotic students

1985-1987

Camp Ltd

Portsmouth

Hants

Regional Orthotic Manager

- Managed 14 senior Orthotists working in London and the South East of England
- Regional Budget holder for all Orthotists and associated expenses
- Implementation of training courses
- Presented papers at regional company seminars, lecturing at local and national conferences and training courses
- Development of the Rookwood Modular seating system in conjunction with Rookwood Hospital, Cardiff.
- Training of undergraduate students

1987-1989

DH Seating

Portsmouth

Hants

Orthotist & Company Manager DH Seating (wholly owned subsidiary of Camp Ltd.)

- Setting up of DH Seating (Seating Division of Camp Ltd)
- Marketed Rookwood modular Seating system
- Servicing of Special seating contracts for London and The South of England
- Responsible for company budget, daily running of company
- Managed 8 staff (2 Seating Consultants, 3 clerical staff, 3 workshop technicians)
- Maintained training responsibilities but limited to paediatric orthotics and Special seating

1989-1991

Camp Ltd

Portsmouth

Hants

Senior Orthotist and Regional Orthotic Development Manager

- Responsible for regional orthotic development and implementation of new clinical practices to company
- Training of Orthotists, students and limited function orthotic fitters
- Development of new paediatric orthotic clinics within London and The South East of England
- Presentations to local Health Authorities and hospitals on orthotics
- Managed company orthotic development budget

1991 to 2005

Wandsworth PCT NHS Trust

Queen Mary's Hospital

London

SW15 5PR

Principal Orthotist

- Clinical and Departmental Head, managing 2 Orthotists and 3 administration staff and 1 undergraduate student orthotist
- Budget holder (£640,000 dedicated Orthotic budget)
- Training officer for Salford University undergraduate students
- Working in close liaison with Prosthetics Department to provide a fully integrated service for clients requiring
- Involved in Regional Orthotic Clinical Audit
- Lecturer for Regional Training programme of Orthopaedic undergraduates
- Implementation of direct access referral service for GP's
- Managing local Orthotic contracts to local Health Authorities
- Servicing own Orthotic clinics, inc: Paediatric Clinics, Complex foot and ankle clinics
- Development of Multi Disciplinary Regional Special Orthotic Clinic in conjunction with consultant Rehabilitation
- Lecturing to Health Care Professionals on Orthotics & Orthotic practice on behalf of The Trust
- Attending various courses in Orthotics & Related Rehabilitation topics, i.e. Spasticity Management
- Waiting list management and prioritising referrals
- 2003 Initiated and installed CAD/CAM foot orthoses manufacturing system first in clinical use in the NHS
- Development of Multidisciplinary Complex Foot and ankle clinic with specialist Foot and Ankle Orthopaedic Surgeon
- Expert Witness

Jan 2005 to Present

Managing Director and Orthotist

The London Orthotic Consultancy Ltd (Private Orthotic Clinical Consultancy)

- Managing clinics for clients with complex foot and ankle conditions
- Maintaining full clinical case load in orthotic management of Adults and Paediatrics
- Special interest in Orthotic footwear and foot and ankle relate problems
- Expert Witness