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CV

Personal Statement

I am a positive and compassionate individual who understands the importance of being empathetic and respectful when working with people who have special needs and care requirements. Throughout my career I have worked in a range of clinical and domestic settings, providing me with a wealth of knowledge of different diseases and disabilities. I have worked on cases with mental health requirements and challenging behaviour and am comfortable and competent when dealing with complex characteristics of care and caring for individuals with varying needs. I am confident working as part of a team and am trustworthy and reliable when working independently. I have played an active role in all of the positions I have worked in, assisting with pre-existing elements of support and helping to develop care packages further, working closely with a wide team of clinical professionals.

I am fit and able when performing physical tasks and am assertive and reliable in the administrative aspect of my role. I am both enthusiastic and approachable with the clients I work for and the teams I work alongside. I am also an ambassador for a local mental health charity and am involved in various other charitable projects in my spare time alongside my other interests and past times.

Skills

- Full driving license and own transport with business insurance
- Interpersonal skills – Professional, cooperative, assertive, vigilant and respectful
- Personal skills – Compassionate, organised, resilient and passionate
- Leadership – Diplomatic, motivated, team building and shift management
- Teamwork – Organised, reliable, approachable and trustworthy

Relevant Training

- ***NVQ Level 3 Health and Social Care***
- ***Mental Health Awareness (Accredited)***
- ***Mandatory Training- Health and Safety, Safeguarding Adults and Children, Food Hygiene, Infection Control, Fire Safety, RIDDOR, COSHH, Moving and Assisting Theory (Accredited)***
- ***QA Level 3 Emergency Paediatric First Aid (Accredited)***
- ***QA Level 3 Emergency First Aid at Work (Accredited)***
- ***Level 2 Canine First Aid (Accredited)***
- ***Medication Administration Training (Accredited)***
- ***Epilepsy and Administration of Buccal Midazolam***
- ***External Feeding Tube Training***
- ***Acquired Brain Injury Training***
- ***Online Awareness Training- Safeguarding and Protection, Alcohol and Substance Misuse, Tail Lift Operator, Supporting People with Diabetes Mellitus, Mental Capacity Act, Common Induction Standards, Dementia***

Employment History

Northern Case Management – Adult Workforce Carer

Jan 2020- Present

I currently work with a young male who suffered an acquired brain injury as the result of a road traffic accident. I work with a small team on a 24-hour shift pattern basis to implement consistency within his own home. This client suffers with depression, low motivation and periods of suicidal thoughts as well as limited mobility and balance, fatigue and challenging behaviour. This role involves supporting the client to live independently and encouraging him with household tasks, finances and budgeting, social events and personal hobbies. I am responsible for managing the client's diaries and liaising with a wider team of therapists to assist in his rehabilitation. This client has historically struggled with low self-esteem and periods of depressive/suicidal thoughts and my role on this team has been predominantly implementing new strategies to try and engage him in activities or responsibilities that he previously felt he was unable to do. I have implemented new social activities and physical goals, therapeutic hobbies and arranged voluntary placements to enrich the client's life and improve his sense of self-esteem and self-worth. I have worked closely with his case management team to adapt his support plan and implement risk assessments to aid him in accessing events and activities that he previously felt he was unable to.

Within my time on this package, I have been praised by my team, management and the client's family for the positive changes they have seen and how much progress the client has made in both his physical and mental well-being.

AMS Case Management – Adult Workforce Carer

April 2019- Jan 2020

I worked with an elderly male who suffered an acquired brain injury as the result of a road traffic accident. This client had multiple health conditions including diabetes, depression, dysphagia and COPD, alongside cognitive and physical difficulties. This position included a 24-hour shift pattern to implement consistency and avoid confusion/disorientation within his home. Duties of this position were administering medication, using and maintaining specialist equipment and assisting with daily tasks to promote an independent and fulfilled life. This role also involved support to organize and attend social events and could include the management of challenging behaviour as well as periods of low mood or depressive thoughts.

JMW Case Management – Adult Workforce Carer

Dec 2017-Dec 2018

I supported a young male who was born with cerebral palsy. I was responsible for assisting him to live an independent life within his own home with the involvement of his family. Duties included daily motivation as he would often struggle to initiate ideas followed by encouraging and enabling the carrying out of these ideas. I was responsible for encouraging a healthy diet and lifestyle within his home due to other health concerns and often had to manage complex moods and behaviours. I was responsible for the daily liaising with his wider team and family who were actively involved in his care.

Amber Case Management – Adult Workforce Carer

April 2017- Dec 2017

I supported an adult female who acquired a brain injury when she was involved in a road traffic accident. I assisted her in the management of daily routines in the home which largely involved domestic duties and the maintenance of

her pets. I offered daily prompts to my client who had worked hard to recover from her accident as fully as possible. I supported her with the organising and attending of social activities and clinical appointments and was responsible for liaising with a large team of clinical therapists assisting her in her recovery.

Northern Case Management – Adult Workforce Carer

2014 - 2019

I supported a young adult male with Cerebral Palsy in his own home and in the community. I assisted in the organising and attending of clinical appointments and promoting daily decision-making and independence in various areas. I liaised with a large team of clinical therapists and was responsible for implementing daily routines and additional strategies to encourage personal development. I was also responsible for financial budgeting and documentation.

2014 – 2016

I was responsible for the daily support of a female individual who had Epilepsy and Cerebral Palsy. Duties included meal preparation, personal care, moving and handling and medication administration. This client needed a large amount of motivation and encouragement to complete daily activities and a positive approach was of the utmost importance as she was susceptible to periods of depression.

2013 - 2014

This role included the constant observation and care of a young male with severe disabilities. I was responsible for the administration of rescue Epilepsy medication and the management of his PEG feed and catheter. A high level of vigilance and efficiency was essential due to the complexity of his disability. I was also required to organise emergency appointments and transportation when necessary.

Voyage Care – Acquired Brain Injury Care Assistant - 2012 – 2013

This involved working in a large residential home with 13 occupants, all of whom had different forms of physical and mental disabilities as a result of acquired brain injury. Challenging and aggressive behaviour was common, so a high level of diligence was essential to ensure the safety and wellbeing of all residents and staff. I considered sensitivity to be a particularly important aspect in this specific role, as none of the clients had had their disabilities from birth, and as such, each had to learn to cope in a different way. Empathy towards their frustration was vital to create a positive relationship with the clients. Duties included meal preparation, domestic tasks, medication administration, personal care, PEG feeding and catheters and supporting individuals with personal activities and social outings.

Education

Manchester Metropolitan University (2011-2014)

BA (Hons) English Literature

Burnley College (2008-2010)

A-Level

English Language and Literature	B
History	C
Sociology	C

Habergham High School (2003-2008)

GCSE

English Language and Literature (Double Award)	A/A
Religious Education	A
Textiles Technology	A
Art and Design (Fine Art)	B
French	C
Science (Double Award)	C/C

Hobbies and Interests

I enjoy reading a wide range of literature, write poetry and attend poetry and music events. I like to take part in outdoor activities such as hiking and camping and am passionate about animals of all kinds. I enjoy photography and travelling and am keen to participate in new and exciting activities. I take part in various physical activities such as the gym, yoga and weight training. I am also a member of an ambassador program for a local mental health charity and am heavily involved in various charitable organisations and voluntary projects.

References available upon request.