

Yvonne Spijkerman, Occupational Therapist

Yvonne Spijkerman is a State Registered Occupational Therapist and a specialist in the rehabilitation of children and young adults with acquired brain injury. She has got a wide range of experience in both the UK and The Netherlands. She gained an honors degree at the University, Hogeschool van Amsterdam, in 1996 and started working in the UK in 2002.

She started her career in 1996 at Theofaan, a rehabilitation centre in The Netherlands that specialises in the rehabilitation of visual and hearing impaired clients. During the five year period she worked for Theofaan, she was asked to lecture at the European conference for deaf-blindness in Italy '95 and the Swedish conference about the care of deaf-blind people in 2000. She has completed the rehabilitation for over 100 adult patients per year including setting up return to work programs.

Since her arrival in the UK in 2002 she has been working as a Senior Occupational Therapist in a large variety of acute and rehabilitation settings. These include hospitals in London, Hampshire and Dorset as well as specialist neurological centers of excellence in Hampshire and Dorset. She has been involved in the rehabilitation treatment/

management of patients from the critical phase on ITU through to the recommendation for further rehabilitation once the patient is medically fit for discharge from the acute setting. Her experience includes brain- and spinal tumours, Guillain Barre Syndrome, Spinal Cord Compression, CVA and major orthopaedic injuries.

In addition to working in the NHS, Yvonne Spijkerman has worked for Medicess where she completed comprehensive assessments for the purpose of litigation. These cases involved a variety of disabilities including nerve compression in lower back and neck, traumatic stress syndrome, hand/finger injury, sciatica.

Since 2007 Yvonne Spijkerman has been working as a senior Case Manager for Bush & Company, undertaking Immediate Needs Assessments and Case Management for clients with complex and catastrophic injuries.

Yvonne works predominantly with brain injured children, young adults and their families. Yvonne has in-depth knowledge of the educational system and the support services available within this setting.



Yvonne has a good understanding of the litigation process and is experienced in supporting both clients and their families in liaison with local authorities and school representatives.

She supports clients on their journey towards independent living and social integration, which is a major part of their rehabilitation and development towards adulthood. Yvonne Spijkerman has valuable experience and skills in liaising and engaging with families under challenging circumstances.

In 2011 Yvonne Spijkerman provided her first expert witness report for an American litigation case which involved a Dutch claimant.



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