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CASE MANAGER



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Safi Madar is an occupational therapist of South African origin having qualified from the Medical University of Southern Africa in 1999 with a Bachelor of Occupational Therapy Degree. She worked in South Africa for a period of three years before commencing work in the United Kingdom, where she has worked since 2003 primarily in the field of rehabilitation.

In South Africa, Safi treated both adults and children with a range of physical and mental health conditions in a community setting. This included spinal cord injury, stroke, cerebral palsy, learning disabilities, burns, learning difficulties and psychiatric conditions. During her working career in South Africa, Safi was required to be creative with the limited resources that were available in the community. In 2003, Safi relocated to England, where her first post was in rehabilitation of older people with a variety of medical, surgical and mental health conditions. She gained further experience of conducting home visits, prescribing equipment and recommending minor adaptations.

Safi then moved into working with adults with neurological conditions for South Warwickshire Primary Care Trust. This included acquired brain injury, multiple sclerosis, stroke, Parkinson's disease and adults in a low arousal state. She worked both within the in-patient setting, and in the day hospital.

Safi gained invaluable experience of working within a multi-disciplinary setting, liaising with a range of professionals and carers on equipment, housing adaptations, posture and seating, mobility and re-settling of clients back within the community. She produced reports for professionals and family members detailing assessment, treatment findings and recommendations.

In 2005, Safi was promoted to Advanced Occupational Therapist. Her role involved working in a split post between Rehabilitation for Older People, and Stroke Services. This required her to be highly organised and efficient. The range of clinical conditions included amputees, orthopaedic conditions, mental health conditions, visual impairment and palliative care. Since 2008, Safi has specialised in the rehabilitation of adults with a neurological condition in her NHS capacity. Safi was the Occupational Therapy Team Leader for the stroke service and was responsible for the operational management of the team.

Since 2013, Safi has produced medico-legal care and occupational therapy and loss of service reports in high value claims for adults and children for claimant and defendant solicitors on a wide variety of conditions. These include acquired brain injury, cauda equina, spinal cord injury, orthopaedic (upper and lower limb) conditions, amputations, sensory and visual impairment, chronic regional pain syndrome, cerebral palsy, narcolepsy and obsessive compulsive disorder. Safi also prepares care and occupational therapy reports for clients in the Republic of Ireland covering a range of conditions, and was involved in a significant group action. She has experience of giving oral evidence in the High Court on three occasions, joint expert meetings and responding to Part 35 questions.

As a case manager, Safi works for MKR OT Services covering a range of conditions and ages, co-ordinating and managing the therapy team and carers. She ensures that the client and their goals are the centre of the case management process.

Safi has attended training on the Civil Procedure Rules for expert witnesses and maintains her CPD. She continues to attend mandatory and clinical training to maintain continued professional development. Safi is registered with the Health and Care Professions Council, is a member of the Royal College of Occupational Therapists and their Specialist Section - Independent Practice, CMSUK and BABICM.