



Professional Experience

Sarah Sandison is a distinguished professional with over 40 years of combined experience in paediatric nursing and child development. Specialising in neurorehabilitation, Sarah has dedicated a significant part of her career to managing complex injuries and conditions such as seizure management, cerebral palsy, cognitive and developmental delays, and hypoxic-ischemic brain injury resulting from subdural hematoma. Her expertise extends to surgical interventions following injuries and addressing special educational needs arising from brain trauma.

Sarah has adeptly managed a wide array of complex cases, including significant brain injuries from birth leading to conditions like hypoxia, blindness, severe dystonia, and respiratory issues requiring intermittent oxygen therapy. Her work has involved coordinating comprehensive care packages for children with complex needs, involving close collaboration with community nursing teams and ensuring the delivery of essential clinical equipment.

In her decade-long career within NHS settings, Sarah has shown remarkable versatility by contributing to children's surgery, neurorehabilitation, and mental health services. Her leadership capabilities are evident in her proactive and evidence-based approach, which has empowered her to drive significant improvements in patient outcomes. As a member of the Royal College of Nursing and regulated by the NMC, Sarah keeps abreast of the latest nursing issues and legislation, further enriching her professional development through an avid engagement with nursing journals and research.

Sarah's exemplary communication skills have been instrumental in her success in leading complex case coordination and strategy meetings, demonstrating her ability to disseminate information effectively across multidisciplinary teams. Her organisational acumen, coupled with a proactive work ethic, underpins her capacity to manage multiple responsibilities seamlessly, ensuring optimal care and outcomes for her patients.

Sarah is fully trained in Civil Procedure Rules, including relevant revisions as they arise. She actively maintains her continuing professional development via a range of training opportunities.

Specialism

- Brain Injury
- Cerebral Palsy
- Neuromuscular disorders
- Neonatal
- Sensory impairment

- Orthopaedic & MSK injuries, conditions
- Mental health & learning disability
- General medical & surgical conditions
- Cancer and palliative care
- Neurological conditions & injuries

Age group

- Children
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Career history

- Safeguarding Strategy Nurse February 2023 to Present
Harrogate and District NHS Foundation Trust
Northumberland
- Children's Community Nurse August 2021 to February 2023
Northumbria Health Care Trust
North Tyneside
- CAMHS Nurse September 2019 to August 2021
Northumbria Health Care Trust
North Tyneside
- Neuro rehabilitation nurse March 2014 to October 2019
Newcastle upon Tyne Hospitals
Newcastle upon Tyne
- Early intervention worker January 2008 to March 2011
North Tyneside Council
North Tyneside
- Social Care Worker January 1998 to January 2008
Northumberland County Council
Blyth

Qualifications

- BSc Degree in children's nursing, March 2014
- Post graduate certificate in child and adolescent mental health therapies, December 2020
- Nursery Nurse NNEB qualification August 1989

Professional Memberships

- NMC
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