

**CURRICULUM VITAE  
MICHELLE BUYAN**

**Registered Nurse  
Located in Telford**

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**PROFILE**

Registered Nurse with over 30 years' experience, specialising in the fields of spinal cord injury and case management having practiced within the NHS and the private care industry. Michelle has experience in the respiratory complications that can result from spinal cord injury including paralysis of the muscles around the chest and abdomen and is competent in assessment of need for care and equipment. In her early career, Michelle worked on respiratory wards and can be guided by expert medical opinion on prognosis to assess care for patients with respiratory disease including mesothelioma, COPD, asthma and tracheostomy clients.

Her experience extends beyond spinal cord injuries, having supported clients with pain, upper limb problems, orthopaedic injury, renal failure and cancer including strong knowledge of stoma and continence care; she applies this clinical experience confidently within reports to assess care, aids and equipment needs within a range of claims.

Worked within the care agency setting for a significant portion of her career namely with Active Assistance and Allied Healthcare as Training Manager and Lead Care Services Manager. Key responsibilities included completing case load management, assessing care needs and providing ongoing clinical support for clients with complete injury, incomplete injury, paraplegia and tetraplegia. Liaising with, collaborating with and attending multidisciplinary meetings to ensure optimal rehabilitation outcomes.

As a Senior Case Manager for Spinal Injury Case Management, Michelle is in current practice completing functional assessments, completing Immediate Needs Assessment reports, supporting clients through sourcing and managing comprehensive care packages and coordinating complex multidisciplinary rehabilitation for clients. She provides well-reasoned, accurate recommendations for complex injury care packages, therapies, equipment and housing adaptation, transport and vocational assistance for adults and children with spinal cord injuries. Her role as Case Manager includes liaising with, updating and attending conferences with the solicitors, barristers and expert witnesses instructed.

Accepts instructions on behalf of Claimant and Defendant firms to undertake Quantum Reports and Immediate Needs Assessments. Having undergone training in the medico legal process, Michelle is fully aware of her responsibilities under the Civil Procedure Rules (CPR) pertaining to expert witnesses. Michelle is supported by experienced expert witnesses and has completed over 20 robust reports compliant with CPR Part 35 with experience in Care, Loss of Service and Clinical Negligence. She undertakes a detailed assessment of qualitative and quantitative differences in care requirements post-injury. Active contributions in conferences and Joint Discussions by presenting justified recommendations with clarity and confidence.

**RELEVANT QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE**

- Registered Nurse
- Case Manager
- CPR Part 35 Expert Witness Legal Training

**RELEVANT SKILLS**

- Acute Care, Complete and Incomplete Injury, Paraplegia and Tetraplegia Injuries in children and adults
- Case Management and Rehabilitation
- Complex Care Packages with aids and equipment
- Immediate Needs Assessments
- Report Writing
- Confident and Effective Advocate

**RELEVANT SPECIALISMS**

- Continence
- Skin Integrity
- Respiratory Disease
- Cancer
- Nerve Injuries
- Orthopaedic Injuries
- Pain
- Spinal Cord Injuries

**RELEVANT EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

2023 – Date	Expert Witness, Fiona Johnson Ltd.
2021 – 2022	Nurse Vaccinator, Robert Jones and Agnes Hunt Hospital
2013 – Date	Senior Case Manager, Spinal Injury Case Management
2007 – 2013	Care Service Manager/ Lead Care Service Manager, Active Assistance
2004 – 2007	Training Manager for Allied Healthcare
2002 – 2004	Sales Representative for Indas Healthcare
2001 – 2002	Staff Nurse Princess Royal Hospital
1999 – 2000	Branch Manager for Allied Healthcare
1995 – 1999	Continence Nurse Specialist Dudley Community

**PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS**

- Royal College of Nursing
- NMC