

Ashtons Brain Injury Case Management Conference : navigating risk and safeguarding

3rd March 2022 Hilton, Coventry

Speakers

Dr Alyson Norman



Aly Norman is an Associate Professor in Psychology at University of Plymouth. She runs the MPsych and MSc Clinical Psychology programmes and also works privately as a psychotherapist. Aly's research interests include working with people with long term conditions, particularly those with appearance-altering conditions and brain injuries. She has experience of working with clients and family members of those with acquired brain injuries, both in research and in clinical practice.

Outside of her main role at Plymouth she also works alongside many professionals across different organisations. Aly is a trustee for Headway Somerset, on the research sub-committee for the British Association of Brain Injury Case managers and is Deputy Chair of the newly launch special interest group, Anchor Point. This is an organisation designed to bring clinicians, researchers and family members together to improve the family ripples after brain injury.

Robert Horner



Robert's practice encompasses high value personal injury and clinical negligence work. He is ranked as a leading individual in the Legal 500.

Robert is co-editor of 'Clinical Negligence Claims: A Practical Guide' and a contributor to the APIL 'Guide to RTA liability'.

Outside of work Robert enjoys cross-country running, albeit he finds it takes him ever longer to cover ever shorter distances. He is kept amply occupied and amused by his three children.

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Dr Rebecca Poz



Dr Rebecca Poz is a Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist with Sue Ryder's The Chantry, in East Suffolk. She is also Consultant Clinical Psychologist for the Older People's Mental Health services of West Suffolk, with Norfolk and Suffolk NHS Foundation Trust. Rebecca provides input to the private sector and is an Honorary Senior Lecturer at the University of East Anglia, and an Associate Tutor at Canterbury Christ Church University. She was awarded the PFMQ qualification (now QiCN) by the Division of Neuropsychology in 2009.

Rebecca started working for the NHS over 20 years ago and since qualifying she has worked in Mental Health settings, community brain injury rehabilitation, residential neurological care and specialist dementia services, as well as working to the Police, CPS and the Official Solicitor.

She is interested in the interface between these specialisms and has written on Compassion Focused Therapy in dementia and the neuropsychological sequelae of mental health conditions.

Rebecca currently stands on two National Committees for the British Psychological Society (BPS); the Faculty of Psychology for Older People (FPOP), and the Awards Committee of the Division of Neuropsychology.

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Jo Cotgrove



Jo is a Solicitor in the Ashtons Family Law team and has a particular interest in the financial aspects of the breakdown of relationships, whether acting for married couples or cohabitees, and in particular advises on cases where assets involve family businesses and where issues arise in respects of pensions. Joanna advises increasingly on pre-nuptial agreements, particularly dealing with agreements involving personal injury trusts.

Jo also advises on cases which involve children, including cases which involve complex issues such as domestic violence and parental alienation. Jo also has particular experience in acting for Special Guardians in both Children Act and Adoption proceedings. Joanna is a member of Resolution.

Dannii Elliott



Dannii is a Senior Relationship Manager in the Ashtons Court of Protection team. Her role is to consider the financial implications of any decisions based on the client's circumstance and work with other members of the firm, together with outside professionals, to ensure her clients' needs are met.

Dannii joined the team in April 2017 as an Apprentice Admin Assistant and has progressed through the team as the relevant experience has been gained. Firstly becoming a Trainee Caseworker and then a Caseworker in 2018 and since then, a Relationship Manager in 2019. This progression has allowed Dannii to fully understand the wider responsibilities within the team and apply this to her current role. Before this Dannii was completing her A Levels, alongside working in the customer service sector.

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Ross Blows



Ross returned as a Relationship Manager to the Ashtons Court of Protection team in March 2020 following a brief break in his career at Ashtons for him to experience work within a Local Authority Court of Protection Team.

Ross began working for Ashtons in June 2014 as a Financial Administrator, thereafter progressing through the Caseworker role then becoming a Relationship Manager. Prior to his career at Ashtons, Ross worked for a Retail Banking Group.

Ross's career has provided him with a vast understanding of the needs of Court of Protection clients and is able to apply his knowledge and experience to provide an excellent service for his clients.

Clare Sturman



Clare joined the Court of Protection team in December 2017 as a Relationship Manager having previously worked for Greene King as a Project Coordinator for 14 years.

Managing projects including brand roll outs and changes within Greene Kings estate. She now applies her organisational skills and customer relationship experience to her current role.

Clare's role involves the management of her clients' affairs. She liaises directly with her clients and their families as well as case managers and other professionals to help her achieve her clients' needs.

Clare has to consider the financial implications of any decisions made and is able to work with any members of the firm to ensure her clients' needs are met.