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A N G E L I N E S E Y M O U R

SUMMARY:

I have been qualified for over a decade and worked as an approved social worker (AMPH), specialising in mental health work. I qualified as a Social Worker in 2000, achieved a BA (Hons) in Social Work in 2003. I achieved the Post Qualifying Award in Social Work in 2005. I have broad social work experience and expertise and practiced as an approved social worker (AMPH) for five years and a senior social worker for a further five years. I now work as an independent social worker producing reports for use in legal proceedings including family, asylum and immigration cases. I am trained in conducting Merton compliant age assessments and have acted as the first and second social worker in these assessments since 2010. I also have experience of working as an Appropriate Adult under PACE. I completed the Cardiff University Law School Family Expert Witness Certificate in 2011. I produce reports for court frequently.

EDUCATION:

June - Dec 1995 West Sussex County Council Social Services Department
City & Guilds of London Institute NVQ level 2- Special Care Needs.
1996 - 1998 Northbrook College Worthing West Sussex
BTEC GNVQ- Health & Social Care (Advanced)

1998 - 2000 University College Chichester West Sussex
Diploma in Social Work (CCETSW)
June 2005 – University College Chichester, West Sussex.
BA (Hons) Post Qualifying Studies in Social Work
September 2005 – Sussex University, Falmer, Brighton, West Sussex.
Post Qualifying Award in Social Work

FURTHER TRAINING:

Sept 1994-Feb 1995 Open University
“Working with Older People (Course P654)” (4 assignments; 50 Hours study)

July 2001 West Sussex Joint Training Initiative & The Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health, Worthing, West Sussex.
“Care Management and Risk Management Training”

July 2001 West Sussex Joint Training Initiative & The Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health, Worthing, West Sussex.
“Role of the Care Coordinator”

Feb 2003- July 2003 University of Brighton
“Mental Health Social Work Award” (Approved Social Work Training)

October 2005 West Sussex Joint Training Initiative & The Sainsbury Centre for Mental Health, Worthing, West Sussex.
“Contingency & Crisis Planning”

November 2005 University of Brighton, East Sussex
“Mental Health & Substance Misuse”

Dec 2006 West Sussex County Council/ Sussex Police Service
“Joint Investigation in Adult Protection”

April 2008 Priory Group
“Revised Mental Health Act 2007”
“HCR20” (violence risk assessment scheme)
“PCLR-SV”(assessment of psychopathy)
“RSVP” (risk for sexual violence protocol)

June 2009 West Sussex County Council
“Child Protection”

January 2010 Refugee Council London

"Age (Merton) Assessments"

January 2010 Sussex Partnership Trust

"Self Directed Support"

January 2010 Sussex Partnership Trust

"STEPPS TRAINING"

(Systems Training for Emotional Predictability and Problem Solving)

November 2010 Willis Palmer

"Risk Assessment In Cases Of Child Sexual Abuse"

February 2011 Cardiff University law School Bond Solon

"Family Expert Witness Certificate"

July 2013 Bournemouth University

"Best Interest Assessor"

August 2013 Notts Health Care NHS Trust

"Professional Development Training"

September 2013 Notts Health Care NHS Trust

"Supervision training"

September 2013 Royal College of Psychiatrists

"Mental Health of Asylum Seekers"

February 2014 Birmingham University

"Assessing risk in sex offenders who have learning difficulties"

April 2014 Leicester county Council

"DASH Forced Marriage and Honour Based Violence"

March 2015 Shropshire Council

**"Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Best Interest Assessor & Mental Health Assessor
West Midlands Annual Update Training"**

February 2016 NAGALRO

"Assessing the needs of Asylum Seeking Children."

**“Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Best Interest Assessor & Mental Health Assessor
West Midlands Annual Update Training”**

CURRENT POSTS:

September 2014 ongoing

Completing Merton age, immigration and asylum assessments and reports for legal firms and Local Authorities. This involves assessing the best interest of children, young people and their families. I also complete assessments of need and carers assessment, detailing the dependency older and disabled individuals have upon their family members.

PREVIOUS POSTS:

June 2014- August 2014

**Locum Social Worker, CMHT,
Leicester County Council.**

Duties in Post:

- work with both male and female service users with a forensic history and mental health problems in the community.
- complete assessments of need, care plans and work with the direct payments scheme to enable service users to purchase their own care.
- review existing care services in place.
- use Liquid Logic systems.
- complete carers assessments.
- work within the local authorities safeguarding vulnerable adults policy and implement this.
- to work with outside agencies including health professionals.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act.
- work as part of a multi-disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway for patients and their families and carers. These service users **all** have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues

February 2014- June 2014

Locum Forensic Social Worker, Herschel Prins Community Forensic Team, Leicester City.

Duties in Post:

- work within community forensic service users.
- complete assessments of need, care plans and work with the direct payments scheme to enable service users to purchase their own care.
- review existing care services in place.
- use Liquid Logic systems.
- complete carers assessments.
- work within the local authorities safeguarding vulnerable adults policy and implement this.
- to work with outside agencies including probation, MAPPA and health professionals.
- prepare and present Ministry of Justice, court and tribunal reports.
- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act.
- work as part of a multi-disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway for patients and their families and carers. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues
 - forensic backgrounds and a possible history of dangerousness

February 2011-August 2012 returning in December 2012- February 2014

Team Manager/Locum Forensic Social Worker, Arnold Lodge Medium Secure Unit, Nottingham NHS.

Duties in Post:

- act as team manager for the social work department between December 2012 to July 2013 at Arnold Lodge Hospital. Managing a team of four practitioners and the social work service.
- provide supervision to social workers.
- contribute to hospital policy writing and approval.
- work with the service user's families and victims to support them to understand the hospital, court and Home Office procedures.
- work within women's and male mental illness wards.

- work with child protection agencies and complete child protection and visiting procedures to ensure safe environments for families and children visiting the service users.
- practise as a qualified Social Worker within a secure inpatient setting for medium security service users.
- Work and implement the local authorities safeguarding vulnerable adults' policy throughout the staff at Arnold Lodge.
- work with outside agencies including probation, MAPPA, prisons and local authorities.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway for patients and their families and carers. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
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August 2012-December 2012

Forensic Social Worker, Cygnet Hospital Stevenage, Medium Secure Unit.

Duties in Post:

- work within the women's service.
- Work with the service user's families and victims to support them to understand the hospital, court and Home Office procedures.
- work with child protection agencies and complete child protection and visiting procedures to ensure safe environments for families and children visiting the service users.
- work within the local authorities safeguarding adults policy and implement this throughout the staff at Cygnet Hospital.
- work with outside agencies including probation, MAPPA and local authorities.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work as part of a multi-disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway for patients and their families and carers. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
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 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder

- learning disability
- substance misuse issues
- forensic backgrounds and a history of dangerousness

June 2010-August 2010

Locum Senior Social Worker Birmingham AOT Birmingham City Council

Duties in Post:

To deliver mental health care as part of a multi-disciplinary team in a form that is acceptable to community-based service users who are usually reluctant to engage with mental health services. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:

- severe and enduring mental illness
- organic conditions,
- personality disorder,
- learning disability.

My role within the team included duties as a Social Worker which entailed working across all age groups to assess mental states and vulnerability to strike a balance between client safety and that of children and others in the community. Working within the local authorities safeguarding policy and investigating any reported incidents.

September 2009-June 2010

Locum Senior Social Worker Horsham CMHT West Sussex Social Services

Duties in Post:

- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act to assess and provide safe environments for service users, children and carers.
- work in partnership with Children and Adolescent Mental Health Services as well as child protection services.
- practise as a qualified Social Worker within a community, recovery team setting with mental health service users.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports. Including assessments of capacity, views of the multi-disciplinary team, risks to self and others.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway for patients, their families and carers. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues

January 2009-May 2009

Locum Senior Forensic Practitioner, Hellingly Hospital, East Sussex Social Services.

Duties in Post:

- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act to assess and provide safe environments for visiting procedures.
- work with child protection agencies to ensure safe environments for families and service users.
- practise as a qualified Social Worker within an secure inpatient setting with low security service users, as well as community based service users.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports. Including assessments of capacity, views of the multi-disciplinary team, risks to self and others.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway for patients, their families and carers. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
 - severe and enduring mental illness
 - organic conditions
 - personality disorder
 - learning disability
 - substance misuse issues
 - a history of dangerousness

January 2008 –January 2009

Approved Senior Social Worker, Farmfield Hospital, Priory Secure Services, West Sussex.

Duties in Post:

- work with child protection agencies to ensure safe environments for families and service users.
- practise as a qualified Social Worker within an secure inpatient setting for low and medium security service users.
- prepare and present court and tribunal reports.
- work within the Mental Health Act and The Children Act to assess and provide safe environments for visiting procedures.
- work as part as a disciplinary team to form a clear and transparent care pathway for patients and their families and carers. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:
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 - personality disorder
 - learning disability

- substance misuse issues
- forensic backgrounds and a possible history of dangerousness

January 2005 – January 2008

Approved Senior Social Worker, Assertive Outreach Team, Southern Locality, Sussex Partnership NHS Trust, West Sussex.

Duties in Post:

To deliver mental health care as part of a multi-disciplinary team *in a form that is acceptable to community-based service users who are usually reluctant to engage with mental health services*. These service users all have complex needs including co-existing combinations of:

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- organic conditions,
- personality disorder,
- learning disability.

June 2004 – January 2005

St. Barnabas Hospice, Durrington, Worthing, West Sussex

Senior Social Worker

I was working with an agency during unpaid maternity leave at the hospice which cared for People (inpatients and community patients) with a terminal illness.

June 2000 – January 2005

West Sussex Social Services Dept, Midhurst CMHT, West Sussex

Approved Social Worker

After qualifying I worked in this semi-rural community mental health team initially as a social worker with in Midhurst CMHT then recently an Approved Senior Social Worker.

Oct 1998 – 2000

West Sussex Social Services Dept, Home Care Team, Littlehampton

Care Assistant, Home Care Team.

Reason for leaving: To pursue a career in social work.

May 1995- Oct 1998

West Sussex Social Services Dept. Hampton House, Littlehampton

Care Assistant Part 3 Residential Care Home.

Reason for leaving: Achieving DIPSW training.

Oct 1994-May 1995

St Bridget's Cheshire Home, Littlehampton.