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# **Curriculum Vitae of Stephen Seccombe**

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### **Qualifications and Professional Membership**

- MSc Clinical Biomechanics, Staffordshire University. 2006-2010 (p/time)
- BSc (Hons) Prosthetics and Orthotics, Salford University. 1996-1999
- Expert Witness Certificate, Bond Solon. Cardiff University. 2013
- Registered member of the Health and Care Professions Council (PO0075)
- Registered member of International Society of Prosthetists and Orthotists. I am the current Chair and previously, Vice-Chair (2019-22) and Treasurer (2014-2019).

## **Expert Witness Experience**

- I've established a private service providing complimentary orthotic treatment to paediatric patients with acquired brain injury up to adulthood and also adult orthopaedic patient working alongside other members of the rehabilitation team.
- In 2011 I started undertaking expert instructions in civil cases covering medical negligence and personal injury. I undertake approximately 40 cases per annum and the current split is Claimant 65%, Defendant 25%, SJE 10%.

#### **Additional Information**

- Sole or joint author for published articles in the British Journal of Neuroscience Nursing.
- Author of the 'Biomechanics in Prosthetics and Orthotics' teaching course for the Scottish Qualification Authority.
- 1<sup>st</sup> tier APIL expert.
- Sole or joint author for National Evidence Based Pathways.
- Previous chair of National Clinical Governance Group.
- Caldecott Guardian.
- Previous National Trainer for Orthotics.









#### **Relevant Clinical Experience:**

#### **Private Practice:**

Since 2006, I have focused my private practice on the treatment of children with brain injuries and adult lower limb pathologies. In 2011, I started to undertake medico legal work and instructed approximately 50 per year, with the ratio being Claimant 65%, Defendant 25%, SJE 10%. Apprxoximatley 20% progress to a joint statement and as yet I have not attended trail.

#### **NHS Practice.**

After qualifying in 1999, I have gained my clinical experience at clinics in London, Dublin and Sheffield.

I am still a practicing clinician (NHS and Private) and am currently employed by a leading rehabilitation service provider in the role of the General Manager, where I have responsibility for the delivery of all our rehabilitation contracts nationally. In this role, I provide nationwide leadership to all our rehabilitation services, balancing the needs of the customer and business to deliver outstanding care to our patients in the NHS. I was previously, the Head of Clinical Systems and Information and prior to that the National Clinical Lead for the same service provider to the NHS. I have also held roles such as Clinical Specialist and Area Manager.

Clinically I have extended scope experience in the treatment of musculoskeletal and brain injuries. I am experienced in the use of gait analysis and lead on the development of technology in the clinical service. In addition to my clinical work, I have directed the chairs of the Clinical Governance Groups and lead on the Quality Governance process.

I have either being the primary or secondary author for national evidence based treatment pathways, education biomechanical modules and education supplements for Allied Health Professionals.

For six months in 2017, I was seconded to Bergen, Norway to help establish clinical and management improvements that was patient focused at a struggling clinical service.







