

Maggie Dawson  
Curriculum Vitae

**About Me:** I'm a fully registered paediatric physiotherapist who is registered with the DBS update service and fully compliant. I have CSP, APCP and MLACP membership. I have lived and worked in Australia and the Cayman Islands as a Paediatric Physiotherapist. I completed my Post-Graduate diploma in Paediatric Physiotherapy at the University of London with Merit in 2014. I have completed the Cardiff University Bond Solon Civil Expert Certificate and am taking on Medico-legal work as an expert witness. I have experience working in the public and private sector, in the UK and overseas. I have a wide range of physiotherapy and Paediatric experience and can assess and treat a wide range of conditions.

**Qualifications & Training:**

Cardiff University

Bond Solon Certificate in Civil Law

May 2022 – July 2022

- Excellence in Report writing
- Courtroom Skills
- Cross Examination
- Civil Law & Procedure

University College London

Post-Graduate Diploma Paediatric Physiotherapy: Merit

Sept 2012 – July 2014

- Core Modules: Neuro-physiotherapy, Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy, Cardiorespiratory Physiotherapy, Research Methodology & Statistics, Research & Dissemination
- Clinical Placement: Four week placement at Great Ormond Street Hospital, London with the neuromuscular team under Marion Main specialising in Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy
- Optional Modules: Child Development: Inclusive approaches in global contexts, Leadership & Professional Development

King's College London

BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy: 2:1

Sept 2005 - July 2008

- Physio Society President\_ for 2 years – Liaised between students and staff, organised guest speakers for Professional Development, arranged social activities between the year groups, represented Physiotherapy to the Student Union
- RAG Physio Rep\_ – raised \$500'000 for children's charities including opening of the Starfish Centre at King's College Hospital for Children with Liver Disease
- Produced Poster presentation on Cerebral Palsy & Physiotherapy
- Completed 1150 Clinical Hours in Hospital & Community settings inc: Neurology, Paediatrics, Orthopaedic, Respiratory, Out-Patients

**Post Graduate courses/ professional development courses:**

Multiple postgraduate short courses completed, ensuring I have completed above the 20 hours minimum CPD per year. To name a few recent ones:

- DMO Training to measure for Lycra Orthoses – November 2014 & August 2022
- Neuromuscular Physiotherapy update days – Cardiff June 2019, Webinar April 2022
- Joint annual study day – neonatal therapy – APCP September 2018
- Assessment and Intervention with the high risk infant in the NICU and at home – The Symposium September 2018
- APPI (Australian Physiotherapy & Pilates Institute) Matwork Level One - July 2018
- Acupuncture Foundation course – Allied Just therapy Education March 2017
- Yoga for the child with special needs – Educational Resources February 2016
- Online courses on Strength training for children with CP, Powered wheelchair mobility, Sensory Integration, ASD, Torticollis & Placiocephaly, Gait assessment and management – January 2015

**Employment History /Career:**

Job Title	Description
<p><b>Company Director</b> Principal Physiotherapist Children’s Physio Dorset Private Paediatric Physiotherapy service Sole trader March 2022 - present</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I have set up my own domiciliary private Physiotherapy company servicing Dorset area and surrounds. I accept self –referrals from parents, carers and young people who wish to receive private physiotherapy. I currently have 20+ clients registered, most of whom receive weekly physiotherapy input at their home.</li> <li>• I am presently fully booked and operate a waiting list for sessions</li> <li>• I provide specialist hands-on physiotherapy using techniques from the Bobath method, Conductive Education approach and an eclectic mix of skills built up over the years.</li> <li>• I offer Vibration Therapy using the Power Plate, aquatic therapy in private pools and apply kinesio tape and use soft –tissue massage and manual therapy when appropriate.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Paediatric Physiotherapist B7</b> CFHS Surrey NHS Feb 2019 - present</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• My primary role was to reduce the waiting list across both quadrants through effective triaging and case management. This role involved ensuring that babies and children were seen in order of priority but also ensuring that ongoing care of patients could be managed across the team. This sometimes involved seeing patients of lower priority first and offering advice only to those higher priority and more complex cases until they could be fully managed. I worked closely with the team leaders to ensure effective triaging and case management.</li> <li>• Assessing and treating patients of various complexity across a range of settings from clinic based to nurseries and schools</li> <li>• Providing hydrotherapy for the NE quadrant and managing the referrals into the service.</li> <li>• Managing a physiotherapy assistant while in the NE quadrant</li> <li>• Attending joint clinic appointments with the paediatric orthopaedic doctor</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liaising with the service partners such as the White Lodge centre</li> <li>• Managing the caseload for the Manor Mead special needs school</li> <li>• <b>My current role is as the equipment co-ordinator working one day a week remotely reducing from my previous 4 days a week due to my own independent work.</b></li> </ul>
<p><b>Paediatric MSK Physiotherapist</b>  Locum  Child Development &amp; Therapy Centre  William Knott Building  Overdale, Westmount Rd  St Helier  Jersey JE2 3LP  December 2018 to January 2019 (2 full months)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Providing primarily MSK physiotherapy to children from birth to 16 years of age. MSK conditions included; congenital abnormalities, knee and ankle injuries, rehabilitation post fractures, scoliosis, rehab post-surgery, abnormal gait assessments and shoulder injuries.</li> <li>• The role also included carrying the bleep for the ward and assessing and treating any inpatients for respiratory and ortho conditions but not limited to those.</li> <li>• I also carried a caseload of a few patients with developmental delay and also provided rehabilitation for oncology patients</li> <li>• My role included joining the paediatric ortho clinic, assessing and treating patients alongside the Orthopaedic Consultant</li> <li>• As part of this role, I had to work effectively with the wider MDT team and the local schools.</li> <li>• Treatment for the patients known to me ranged from strengthening exercises with and without weights and or theraband, soft tissue mobilization, teaching static and dynamic stretches, using acupuncture as a treatment adjunct, providing stock insoles and heel cups as required, fitting braces/sports as required, use of K-tape and sports tape, use of a range of upper limb tools from pulleys to putty and hand exercisers.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Acute Paediatric Physiotherapist</b>  Locum  Queen Elizabeth Hospital  Woolwich  London UK  August 24<sup>th</sup> to October 26<sup>th</sup>  Full time B7</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sole paediatric physiotherapist for the hospital</li> <li>• Providing physiotherapy to children on the acute paediatric ward, the oncology ward, day assessment unit, A&amp;E, birth centre and NICU</li> <li>• Covering paediatric MSK outpatients 2 afternoons a week ages 12-19.</li> <li>• Continued and further developed a NICU project involving developmental screening, training NICU nurses and medical staff on providing a sensory enriched environment and educating parents on home based activities prior to discharge</li> <li>• Provided teaching to doctors on congenital conditions, when to refer and immediate advice to give</li> <li>• Attending morning handover with the medical team and educating staff on appropriate referrals and utilising physiotherapy</li> </ul>
<p><b>Specialist Paediatric Physiotherapist</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sole paediatric physiotherapist for the Cayman Islands, involved lone working, problem solving, liaison with Miami</li> </ul>

<p>Health Services Authority George Town Hospital Cayman Islands Dec 2014 – April 2018 Permanent Full time B7</p>	<p>children’s hospital and multi-disciplinary working with paediatric OT’s and SLPs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assess and treat children with a wide range of conditions from respiratory to neurological to musculoskeletal conditions</li> <li>• Consult on wheelchair management, postural equipment and orthotics</li> <li>• Cover the weekend list and on call (one in every 7 weeks) seeing patients on CCU, Surgical and Medical wards providing physiotherapy assessment and treatment as appropriate</li> <li>• Treat &amp; assess a wide range of patients from the waiting list during optional overtime including patients with sports injuries, chronic respiratory conditions, surgical patients and patients with neurological injuries from ages 18 and upwards</li> </ul>
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Work history prior to 2014 can be provided upon request

### **Major Achievements:**

- Successful at tribunal representing Surrey County Council in the case of Ms X vs Surrey County Council 2019. This involved attendance at The Old Bailey Crown court, submission of a report and cross examination.
- Established developmental screening on the NICU at Queen Elizabeth hospital, establishing sensory enriched environments and helped continue to develop the paediatric physiotherapy service, evident through the increased number of referrals.
- Established an event in recognition of World Prematurity Day in the Cayman Islands which is now run annually. The event provided free developmental health checks to all babies under 18 months of age who were born pre-term. The day also included educational talks and free developmental toys were provided to families
- Delivered bi-monthly presentations to expecting mothers/families on what to expect in the first 12 months in term of motor development and education on safe swaddling and tummy time
- Becoming part of the UKIETR Emergency register for deployment in the event of a natural disaster to provide critical physiotherapy management
- Developing a children’s mobile health service to the rural community of Morogoro, Tanzania in 2008 and running health seminars to community.