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Independent Midwifery Expert Witness

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SUMMARY

Clinical age range:
(Adult & Neonatal)

Disability/ Injury:

(Birth Injury; Obstetric Injury; Cerebral Palsy; Perineal Injury; Gestational Diabetes; FGM; GBS; Wrongful Birth; Shoulder dystocia; Multiple Births; Pre-eclampsia; Retained Placenta; Premature Birth; Maternal Mental Health; Hypoglycaemia in the Newborn)

Nikki qualified as a Registered General Nurse in 1988 and as a Registered Midwife in 1989 and has most recently worked within the clinical setting in a busy NHS Hospital in Devon. She has practised extensively as a Senior Midwife in the clinical setting in the NHS and the private sector, developing wide experience throughout all aspects of obstetric care and has a special interest in Female Genital Mutilation (FGM). She also has expertise in facilitating vaginal breech birth and physiological twin births.

Nikki worked overseas following her qualification as a Tropical Diseases Nurse in 1992 & was the Toxoplasmosis Midwife working on an advisory role within a well-known Baby Charity until 2017. Nikki studied Law in 2000 & since 2002 has used this qualification to analyse and review obstetric cases for law firms from a Midwifery aspect whilst still practising as a Midwife.

Public Speaking

Nikki assisted in organising national conferences with relevant speakers – e.g., the '*Perineal Trauma – Time to Rethink Practice?*' Conference run by Irwin Mitchell in conjunction with the **Birth Trauma Association** in 2009.

Nikki was an Expert Speaker at the AVMA Conference in 2010 & at the Cerebral Palsy Conference in February 2025. She was also a speaker at the 13th Annual Clinical Negligence Seminar & Legal Update held at Gough Square Chambers in 2012.

Educational Campaigns

Nikki worked with Dettol in an advisory role as their Expert Midwife in their National '*Mission for Health Campaign*' launched in 2011 and worked alongside the **Hip Dysplasia Institute** to launch the '*Is Your Baby Sitting Comfortably*' educational campaign in 2012. This campaign empowered women to help make informed decisions and reduce any potential risks of hip dysplasia in infants and become aware of the delayed diagnosis of this condition in babies.

She also acted in an advisory role with the publication of a Government '*White-Paper on Preconceptual Care*' for the Seven Seas pharmaceutical company in 2013.

She was the 'Expert Midwife' for the UK's monthly "Prima Baby & Pregnancy" magazine for over a decade and was both the 'Infant Health Expert' & 'Expert Midwife' for Infacol & Sudocrem for over five years.

She has represented numerous high profile 'brands' including Huggies & Discovery Health and has also worked as an advisor with the British Coffee Association analysing new research in relation to pregnancy and in the neonatal/postnatal period.

Medical Records Sorting

Nikki has extensive experience in medicolegal record sorting, collation and creating chronologies. She has worked as a medical assistant with Russell Cooke Solicitors (nee Evill & Coleman) while undertaking her LPC & CPE. Then also worked with various firms undertaking the same tasks when needed (e.g., DMR collation, Silva Consultancy, Ascent). Finally, worked as an MLR nurse with Irwin Mitchell from 2008 until 2016.

Commenced drafting Medicolegal Expert Reports in 2016 and has been on the recommended AVMA expert database since 2016.

Has a good track record of being firm and fair in joint expert meetings and has attended trial twice. She has been an Expert Midwifery Witness on behalf of the Coroner in a Coroner's inquest.

Special Interest:

(Pre-conceptual Care; Stillbirth; Gestational Diabetes; Maternal & Neonatal Infections; Perineal Trauma; Shoulder Dystocia; Pre-eclampsia; Hypoglycaemia in neonates; Cerebral Palsy.)

Report Type:

(Midwifery Liability Reports for Defendant and Claimant; Wrongful Birth Reports)

Location:

(Devon)

Language:

(English & Conversational Arabic)

Reports undertaken

Claimant 70% & Defendant 30%

Undertake 35 Reports per year

Expert Witness Courses

Professional Solutions – 2017

Academy For Expert Witnesses - 2019

Academy For Expert Witnesses - 2020

Academy For Expert Witnesses - 2021

Academy For Expert Witnesses - 2022

Academy For Expert Witnesses – 2023

Pending Cardiff University Bond Solon (CUBS) Expert Witness Certificate Course in 2026

Experience:

01.2016 – Date	Expert Midwifery Witness
05.2020 – March 2024	Midwife – The Baby Academy
01.2021 – 2023	Midwife – North Devonshire Healthcare NHS Trust
02.2017 – 12. 2020	Midwife – St Georges Healthcare NHS Trust
01.2016 – 02.2017	Toxoplasmosis Midwife – ‘ Tommy’s ’ – The Baby Charity
01.2014 – 01.2016	Midwife running private pregnancy classes at Notting Hill Harbour Club
07.2013 – 01.2015	Midwifery Manager at BMI Syon Clinic running Antenatal & Postnatal Classes
11.2012 – 2014	Midwife at BMI Coombe Wing, Kingston Hospital
2011 – 2014	Expert Midwife for Kimberley Clark’s Huggies & led their National Campaign on Umbilical Cord Care
08.2009 – Present	Expert Midwife & Infant Health Expert for Infacol & Sudocrem
02.2005 – 2009	Midwife – ‘Tommy’s’ – The Baby Charity
10.1998 – 2006	Senior Midwife – Chelsea & Westminster Hospital
07.2001 – 2005	Senior Staff Nurse & Senior Midwife – Coombe Wing at Kingston NHS Trust Hospital
01.1998 – 08.2001	Senior Midwife, – Portland Hospital, London
06.1998 – 10.1998	Senior Midwife, KFH Riyadh, Saudi Arabia
07 1996 – 01.1998	Senior Midwife in Hong Kong

11.1993 – 05.1996	Senior Midwife, KFAFH Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
08. 1992 – 11.1993	Registered Midwife, Royal United Hospital, Bath
03.1992 – 07.1992	Registered Staff Nurse – Infectious Diseases – Southmead Hospital, Bristol
1991 – 1992	Staff Nurse, Hospital for Tropical Diseases, London
1990 – 1991	Registered Midwife, University Hospital of Wales
1988 – 1990	Bank Staff Nurse, Bournemouth General Hospital
03.1988 – 09.1989	Registered Midwifery Training at John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford
10.1984 – 03.1988	Registered Nurse Training, Southampton General Hospital

Professional Qualification and education

1988	Registered General Nurse
1989	Registered Midwife
1992	Certificate of Nursing in Tropical Diseases
2001	“2:1” BSc (Honours) in Anthropology – University College London
2003	CPE/Diploma Course – Kingston University
2004	LPC – Guildford College of Law
2010	Qualified Teacher in ‘Developmental Baby Massage Classes’

Membership and Affiliations

- FEDANT (Federation of Antenatal Educators)
- NMC (Nursing & Midwifery Council);
- The Law Society;

Publications:

- ‘The Midwife’s Role in Reducing the Incidence of’ Swine Flu’ amongst Pregnant Women & their Newborn – The Practising Midwife - December 2011
- ‘Nappy Rash: Prevention & Cure’- Nursing In Practice - March 2014

Book Chapters

- Co-authored the 'My Pregnancy' DK Book published in 2011