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Tracey qualified as a Speech and Language Therapist in 1996 with a BSc in Speech and Language Pathology from Strathclyde University. She is registered with the Health Professions Council and a member of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists.

Tracey has worked with Strathclyde University as a part time clinical tutor with the speech and language therapy department, teaching students on clinical placements studying undergraduate BSc speech and language pathology.

Tracey has sat on the Scotland Board of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists.

Following qualification Tracey started work in Ayrshire and Arran Health Board and completed rotations in adult and paediatric settings in the community and acute sectors. In 2000 Tracey was promoted to a specialist post working with children with additional complex needs. She continued to develop her skills and supported families through initial diagnosis and with implementation of treatment programmes in the home environment. She also worked in school settings, liaising with teachers and other professionals to ensure the needs of her clients were best met. Tracey was also responsible for managing the school aged population and therefore in supporting less experienced colleagues to deliver the speech and language service in special schools. This post involved working with children from birth up to school leaving age.

In 2008 Tracey transferred to the adult sector and worked as part of the community learning disability team. This involved managing the caseload of adults with learning disabilities who presented with dysphagia and communication support needs. Tracey also had responsibility for supporting less experienced colleagues and supervising a full time assistant.

She took a lead role in the MDT learning disability team and continued to develop her specialist skills working with people who display behaviours which challenge services, associated with communication support needs. She acted as a consultant to support care providers and relevant others to manage challenging behaviour. Part of her role involved extensively training throughout the health board on the subject of communication and challenging behaviour. In 2010 Tracey presented on the impact of communication on behaviour to the 2010 spring meeting of consultant psychiatrists in learning disabilities.

Tracey also worked as a consultant for Ayrshire and Arran as a specialist in stammering therapy for children and adults, and coordinated this service throughout the health board at this time.

Tracey has completed RCSLT accredited post graduate training in dysphagia and has provided support and supervision to therapists undertaking this course. She also provides regular supervision to therapists in this area.

Tracey has often been involved in vulnerable adult cases, supporting psychiatry in establishing capacity based on the client's ability to understand decisions and to express choices and decisions. She has also been involved in investigations with social work when allegations of abuse have been explored, when the adult had no ability to effectively express themselves verbally

Tracey was also involved with the forensic mental health team supporting adults who had offended with communication support needs.

In 2011 Tracey attended the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists vulnerable adults course and is now a RCSLT accredited trainer in delivering training on The Adult Support and Protection (Scotland) Act 2007 to people who have communication support needs.

Tracey currently works in the independent sector as Speech and Language Therapist supporting adults and children with communication support needs and/or eating, drinking and swallowing difficulties. She regularly undertakes medico-legal work.

Tracey has also worked as an expert witness since 2011 and has undertaken the Bond Salon course – Excellence in Report Writing