



LAURA BROAD CURRICULUM VITAE

Laura qualified as a speech and language therapist in 2014 with a BSc (Hons) in Speech and Language Therapy from City University London. She is registered with the Health Professions Council and a member of the Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists.

Laura also has an English (Hons) degree from the University of Leicester, which she graduated with in 2005.

Since qualifying, Laura has worked as a Speech and Language Therapist for the NHS across various settings. She worked within Calderdale Royal Hospital, based in the acute and stroke rehab wards in which she worked with adults who had suffered strokes or brain injuries. Laura's role here was based around both assessment and intervention for communication difficulties and disorders, as a result of neurological damage.

Laura also worked in the Paediatric sector, as a Speech and Language Therapist for Stockport NHS Foundation Trust. She was based within Tameside and works across clinics, nurseries and mainstream schools with children aged from 18 months to 11 years old with a range of needs. The Speech and Language Therapy Team in Tameside is part ISCAN (Integrated Service for Children with Additional Needs) which meant that Laura worked closely with Physiotherapists and Occupational Therapists for assessment and intervention in order to provide a holistic approach.

Laura now works as a Speech and Language Therapist for the NHS across Trafford. She is based in Sale but works with Adults with Learning Disabilities in the community. Within this role, Laura has been able to work closely with The ACE Centre to implement high tech AAC devises, such as Voice Output Communication Aids on tablets. As part of a multi-disciplinary team of Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists and Nurses, Laura has been key in the assessment and intervention approach with vulnerable adults with mild to profound learning disabilities. Laura completed her post graduate dysphagia qualification in 2016. She is highly skilled in assessing and providing therapy for individuals with eating and drinking difficulties.

Laura has been working as an associate speech and language therapist for Neuro Rehab Group since October 2014, supporting adults with communication difficulties in community and rehabilitation settings.

Prior to her speech and language therapy career, Laura developed her knowledge of Autism Spectrum Disorder, while working as a support worker for The National Autistic Society in South London. Within this role, Laura attended TEACCH training and developed and used visual resources such as 'First and Then' boards and PECS symbols.

Laura also worked as a support worker for the Dorset NHS Foundation Trust from 2010-2014, in which she worked across a variety of settings with adults with Learning Disabilities and/or Mental Health problems.