



GEOFF BARNETT

CASE MANAGER

AGES COVERED

Children, young people and adults

SPECIALISMS

Cerebral Palsy
Acquired Brain Injury
Complex Family Dynamics

QUALIFICATIONS

Certificate of Qualification in Social Work
Social Work (MA)
Qualified Probation Officer

LOCATIONS

Midlands, Lincolnshire and the North of England.

MEMBERSHIPS

Health and Care Professions Council
British Association of Social Workers



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BIOGRAPHY

Geoff qualified as a Social Worker and Probation Officer in 1985.

Geoff was also educated at the Universities of Manchester, Leicester and Loughborough where he gained degrees, respectively, in Philosophy, Politics and Sociology (BA Hons), Social Work (MA) and Information Technology (MSc).

After qualifying as a social worker, Geoff specialised in hospital social work working with individuals with neurological conditions including spinal cord injury and acquired brain injury. In this role he carried out complex assessments and arranged care packages to facilitate safe and timely hospital discharges.

Geoff then gained experience as a probation officer, where he worked with offenders who often had learning difficulties, drug and alcohol dependency problems and acquired brain injuries as a result of their addictions. He worked in areas of Leicester with various ethnic minority communities and as a result he has strong experience working with ethnically diverse client groups with many different family structures and care arrangements. As a probation officer Geoff went on to specialise in working with young offenders and their families and gained significant Court experience. On behalf of the Probation Service he also prosecuted those who did not carry out their community sentences.

Towards the end of his probation career Geoff was seconded to HMP Gartree, an institution that only admits those with a custodial life sentence. It was whilst working in this environment that Geoff first became aware of the high percentage of prisoners who had acquired brain injuries and he used appropriate strategies to assist them.

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Geoff's penultimate role before commencing employment with Brownbill Associates Limited was that of a Case Review Manager with the Criminal Cases Review Commission (CCRC). Geoff was called to liaise regularly with the Criminal Justice System and other agencies. His role demanded strong analytical skills, thoroughness, sound judgement and objectivity in decision making. Geoff's diligent research resulted, ultimately, in several cases being referred back to the Court of Appeal and the eventual quashing of unsafe convictions.

Geoff is presently working with children with cerebral palsy and adults with acquired brain injury. He is experienced at coordinating multi agency professionals, planning and coordinating rehabilitation and care and the recruitment of privately employed support workers. He is particularly skilled at working with children and young adults within families with complex dynamics.