



Curriculum Vitae

Michelle St John - Independent Speech & Language Therapist

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Personal Profile

I am a highly specialist speech and language therapist working in the field of acquired voice disorders and ENT related dysphagia. Having qualified in 2004 I have a wealth of experience across several specialties and have been intently focussed on my area of clinical interest in voice, including laryngeal dystonia, for the past 6 years. I have a friendly approachable nature which enables me to build a good rapport with my clients and I am a supportive and collaborative team player. I can offer highly specialist assessment and holistic goal orientated therapy/ intervention to clients with acquired voice disorders and/or dysphagia.

Employment History

- **2023** - **Speech Therapy North East Ltd**
Present Independent Speech and Language Therapist (Associate)

Job role: To provide independent communication and/or swallowing assessment to clients with acquired brain injury. This role requires flexible working, effective time management and allows me to continually develop my specialist interest in voice therapy and dysphagia management.

- **2017** - **South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**
Present Clinical Lead for Voice, Adult Speech and Language Therapist

Job role: To deliver and have line management responsibility for the ENT/ Voice Disorder service for the Trust, as well as maintain the specialist assessment and therapeutic service to the ENT sub-regional population and the supra regional dystonia population.

- **2010** - **South Tees Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust**
2017 Specialist/ Highly Specialist Adult Specialist Speech and Language Therapist

Job role: To provide communication and dysphagia assessment, treatment, and management to a wide range of adults with acquired neurological disorders (including working on the Neurorehabilitation Unit) in an acute and community setting as well as hold a caseload for adults with voice disorders, in a community setting.

- **2008** - **East Riding of Yorkshire PCT**
2010 Highly Specialist Adult Specialist Speech and Language Therapist

Job role: To provide communication and dysphagia assessment, treatment, and management to a wide range of adults with acquired neurological disorders as well as hold a caseload for adults (and some children) with voice disorders in a community setting.

- **2004** - **East Riding of Yorkshire PCT**
2008 Specialist Adult Specialist Speech and Language Therapist

Job role: To provide communication and dysphagia (once training completed) assessment, treatment, and management to a wide range of adults with acquired neurological disorders in an acute and community setting, as well as hold a caseload for adults with voice disorders, with support from more specialist colleagues.

Qualifications

- **2000 - 2004**
Manchester Metropolitan University
 BSc Psychology and Speech and Language Pathology

Continued Professional Development

- Dysphagia Training, Sheffield University, 2007
- Lee Silverman Voice Therapy, LSVT Global, 2008
- Accent Method Training, Durham, 2008
- Reading Adult Videofluoroscopy Intermediate, UCL, 2009
- Introduction to Evidence Based Practice in Tracheostomy Management for Adult SLT, NESTA Sue McGowan, 2011
- Firming our Foundations and Moving Forward with Dysphagia Management, Maggie Lee Huckabee, 2015
- Endoscopic Evaluation of the Larynx Competencies, 2017-present
- Manchester 'Assessment and Diagnosis in the Voice Clinic,' October 2017
- Practical Voice Skills for Therapy – Christina Shewell, June 2019

Memberships

- Registration with Health and Care Professions Council
- Registered with Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists