

Professional Background

Emma Schofield possesses over two decades of nursing experience, focusing on paediatric nursing and health visiting, which equips her with an extensive skill set suitable for an Expert Witness in child healthcare and developmental cases. Emma's career has been highlighted by her specialisation in complex care, particularly for children and young people from birth to 18 years. Her experience spans a variety of challenging conditions, including birth trauma, developmental delays, learning disabilities, autism, ADHD, and complex mental health needs. Emma has also been deeply involved in complex case management, safeguarding, and family court proceedings, making her proficient in holistic care approaches and multi-agency coordination.

Her role extends beyond direct patient care, as she has been instrumental in coordinating comprehensive care plans for children with complex needs. Emma's experience includes working directly with families, social services, and private care providers to manage and structure care packages that address the multifaceted needs of children in various care settings. Her work has often involved acute interventions and long-term management strategies, especially for children transitioning from hospital to home care or specialised care facilities. Emma led multidisciplinary teams, managing the integration of services across various medical disciplines from educational, psychiatric, psychological, and various medical disciplines. Her leadership has been pivotal in navigating the complexities of care coordination for children with diverse needs, ensuring that each child's care plan is tailored and responsive to their evolving conditions. Emma's expertise is also recognized in her contributions to research and development within paediatric care, where she has taken active roles in pioneering research studies and service development projects to enhance care delivery and outcomes.

Throughout her professional journey, Emma has remained committed to continuous professional development, participating in regular training and seminars to stay abreast of the latest advancements in paediatric care and public health. Her dedication to her field is mirrored in her active involvement in community-based programs and her leadership in developing innovative care protocols, particularly in safeguarding and complex care management.

Emma is fully trained in the Civil Procedure Rules, including relevant revisions as they arise. She actively maintains her continuing professional development via a range of training opportunities.

Specialism

- Neurological conditions & injuries
- Spinal cord & peripheral nerve injury
- Mental health & learning disability
- Sensory impairment
- Respiratory conditions
- Postnatal care
- Birth injury
- Ventilation
- Antenatal
- Neonatal

Age group

- Children
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Career history

- Freelance Specialist Nurse April 2024- Present
- Specialist Nurse (Bank), Autism Pathway March 2022-Present
Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust
- Specialist Nurse, All Age Eating Disorder Service December 2023-Present
Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust
- Senior Children's Complex Needs/ Learning Disabilities Nurse May 2021 - Dec 2023
Lancashire and South Cumbria NHS Foundation Trust
- Specialist Public Health Nurse (Health Visitor) August 2018 - May 2021
Virgincare
- Senior Paediatric Research Nurse May 2017- August 2018
Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust
- Specialist Public Health Nurse (Health Visitor) October 2013- May 2017
Tameside and Glossop Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust
- Student Specialist Public Health Nurse (Health Visitor) October 2012- October 2013
Stockport NHS Foundation Trust
- Staff Nurse, NICU at March 2011- September 2012
Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust

Qualifications

- PgDip Specialist Community Public Health Nursing (Health Visiting)- Manchester Metropolitan University, 2013
- Non-medical Prescribing, Community Practitioner (V100)- Manchester Metropolitan University, 2013
- BSc (Hons) Children's Nursing- The University of Salford, 2010

Professional Memberships

- RCN
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