

Wheel of Health Clinical Profile

Kerry Jefferson

Associate | Occupational Therapist

Role	Associate
Profession	Occupational Therapist
Professional registration	HCPC registered Occupational Therapist
Region	Yorkshire / North Lincolnshire
Specialist focus	Wheelchair and posture management, neuro-affirmative practice and restrictive intervention reduction

Professional profile

Kerry Jefferson is an experienced Occupational Therapist with a specialist interest in wheelchair and postural management. She is able to balance effective budget control with clinical reasoning for non-matrix provision when this is required to meet complex needs. Kerry is highly skilled in managing the interplay between postural management and restrictive interventions and works from a neuro-affirmative base across the age range. Her experience includes wheelchair services, posture and pressure management, powered wheelchair pathway redesign, personal wheelchair budgets, restrictive intervention policy and specialist autism practice.

Specialist clinical expertise

- Assessment of posture and mobility needs
- Manual and powered wheelchair provision
- Modular adjustable seating equipment
- Reducing restrictive interventions in posture management solutions
- Neuro-affirmative practice across the age range
- Powered wheelchair pathway redesign and personal wheelchair budgets
- Seating training and multidisciplinary pathway development

Contribution to Wheel of Health

Kerry brings a distinctive focus on neuro-affirmative practice, restrictive intervention reduction and clinically justified equipment provision to Wheel of Health. Her experience supports ethical, person-centred and proportionate recommendations for individuals whose postural needs intersect with behaviour, sensory differences, safety and environmental complexity.

Clinical experience

Dates	Role / organisation	Relevant focus
January 2026 - Present	Autism Spectrum Condition Specialist Occupational Therapist, Outcomes First Group	Assesses and supports autistic children in a specialist school, addressing interactional differences, sensory needs, postural management and motor skill development.
April 2025 - January 2026	Senior Occupational Therapist - Cardiology, Hull Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust	Provided assessment and rehabilitation following post-surgical stroke or hypoxia, supported safe inpatient seating, delivered seating training and assessed moving and handling equipment.
2022 - 2025	Senior Clinical Specialist Occupational Therapist, Wheelchair and Posture Management Service, Rotherham Doncaster and South Humber NHS Foundation Trust	Provided wheelchair, posture and pressure management assessment, redesigned pathways and supported AAC collaboration.
2019 - 2022	Clinical Lead Occupational Therapist, NHS Wheelchair Service, AJM Healthcare	Led wheelchair, posture and pressure management work, personal wheelchair budgets and restrictive interventions policy and training.
Earlier Role	Senior Occupational Therapist, Wheelchair Services, North Lincolnshire and Goole NHS Foundation Trust	Provided wheelchair, posture and pressure care solutions and supervised assistants.

Education and qualifications

- MSc Professional Health and Social Care, York St John University - Distinction
- BHSc Occupational Therapy, York St John University - 2:1
- Posture Management for People with Complex Disabilities, Oxford Centre for Enablement

Professional registration and memberships

- Health and Care Professions Council - Occupational Therapist
- Royal College of Occupational Therapists / British Association of Occupational Therapists
- Posture and Mobility Group
- Restraint Reduction Network
- Society for Tissue Viability
- British Institute of Learning Disabilities

Governance and quality assurance statement

Kerry works within Wheel of Health's clinical governance framework and maintains appropriate professional registration, professional indemnity, continuing professional development and standards of documentation, communication, safeguarding and professional accountability. This supports consistent, person-centred assessment, clinically reasoned recommendations and high-quality reporting across Wheel of Health services.