



Lucy TURNER

Lucy works as Independent Intermediary within family courts and was until recently lead for the Sussex Registered Intermediary reference group having completed a full term in that role. She has extensive experience of working with individuals who have difficulties with emotional regulation and in communicating. Her skills include simplifying complicated concepts; facilitating communication; experience in working with people with specific speech and language disorders and in making information accessible by using visual information/aids to facilitate understanding. Lucy's background is in direct work with people with Learning Disabilities. Since 1996 she has specialised in working with disabled people, with a particular interest in those with complex needs arising from dual diagnosis: specific communication difficulties, substance misuse issues and significant mental health issues, having worked directly with this client group in residential, homelessness and outreach services for many years. She has led nationwide consultations with people with communication difficulties, regarding their lives and services received (i.e. The Tell-Us project involving over 20,000 individuals). Lucy has experience of working with those who have English as an additional language and interpreters for communication assessment and at court. She also works as a trainer and advocate and providing specialist support to families in crisis; she works with disabled people and very young children across the UK in family courts where there are safeguarding concerns, and has consulted and published on these issues. Lucy has set up a local Community Interest, not for Profit company, in the city of Brighton to provide Outdoor Creative Wellbeing Space for Parents whose children have Social Service Input.

Home Location: Brighton and Hove, South East

Travel Distance: 150 miles

Preferred Locations: London, Dorset, Brighton, Sussex, Kent

Education:

BSc (hons) Psychology and Counselling, Roehampton , 1999

MSc in Developmental Psychology, Sussex University , 2002

Post Graduate Certificate in Education , Goldsmiths University, 2006

Post Grad Dip in Special Education Needs Inclusion in Education , University College London, 2010

Expertise:

Deafness/Hearing impairment

Unclear Speech

Stammering / Stuttering

Learning Disability or Difficulties

Autistic Spectrum Disorder (including Asperger's Syndrome)

ADHD

Dyslexia

Elderly

Child

Depression and/or Anxiety

Diagnosed mental health disorders

Undiagnosed mental health concerns