

Clare Swain Registered Nurse - Adult Expert Witness



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Clare Swain, RN(A), DipN, BSc Hons Specialist Palliative Care Nurse

General Background

A registered adult nurse since 1997 with experience working in a variety of healthcare settings- hospital, hospice and community. Specialised in palliative and end of life care since 2001. Previous role was Head of In–Patient services at a hospice holding full responsibility for the 33 beds. Has extensive knowledge and experience in assessing, planning, implementation and evaluation of patient care. Management responsibilities included clinical governance, staff training and competencies, absence management, health and safety, infection prevention, audits and medicines management.

Most recent role is community hub and hospice at home team leader working in a community setting. The role includes a 24/7 advice line, responsibility for all hospice patients within nursing and care homes, rapid response visits 24/7 and providing support to patients in their own homes with end-of-life care. Also, a non-medical prescriber since 2005 supporting patients with symptom management.

Prior to the hospice Clare was in the Royal Air Force carrying out various roles in a military hospital as corporal/senior staff nurse. Worked in various areas- colorectal surgery, infection ward/isolation, male medical, female medical, outpatients and A+E. As well as her nursing role she completed military roles and duties- guard duty, training courses, and casevac duties- bringing injured patients back to Britain from deployment.

Professional Qualifications

Diploma in Nursing and Midwifery studies
BSc Hons Palliative and End of Life Care
V300 non-medical independent prescriber
ENB 998- Practice supervisor/assessor
Physical and Health Assessment degree module
Dementia and Frailty Masters Modules

Additional Qualifications

Level 3 Mental Health First Aid Manual Handling trainer Basic Life Support trainer First Aid at Work

Expert Witness Background

Experience in ward based and community settings. Able to utilise professional skills and experience to facilitate report writing, and the development of skills to prepare expert witness reports. Clare has been associated with AMG Consultancy Services since 2021 providing Screening and Liability reports on behalf of the Claimant and Defendant.

Completed 21 reports in the last 12 months with a Claimant/Defendant ratio of 95:5 Court Experience – none.

Liability Areas of Expertise

Palliative and end of life care
Non- Medical prescribing
Pain control
Tissue Viability/ pressure damage
Infection prevention
Falls/ manual handling injuries.
Elderly care
Safeguarding of patients
Nursing and care home patients

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Care of the dying patient
Basic Life Support
Bowel/bladder management
Dementia
Employment and sickness management
Incident reporting and management
Long term/ chronic / life limiting
Stoma care
Triage nursing

Memberships

- Registered with Nursing and Midwifery Council
- Royal College of Nursing
- Tissue Viability Society

Bond Solon Certificated Legal Training

Excellence in Report Writing – 20th September 2021 & (Refresh) November 2024 Courtroom Skills - Witness Familiarisation – 21st September 2021

