



Michelle Cole

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**Health Visitor Expert Witness**

## General Background

A highly motivated senior nurse with public health nursing and safeguarding experience. Michelle has a background at operational level as well as in policy and strategy making. Excellent communicator and advocate for children and families.

Michelle has built a diverse career in Public Health, working as a School Nurse, Health Visitor, Safeguarding Lead, and at Director level. Even while holding strategic roles, she has remained committed to maintaining her clinical skills by working alongside colleagues to assess and support families. Her expertise includes health needs assessment, risk evaluation, and clinical management. In addition, her experience in reviewing case files and report writing has enabled her to develop the necessary skills for preparing expert witness reports.

## Work History

2023 to date	<b>Solutions 4 Health</b> Interim Clinical Director
2023 to date	<b>MC Safeguarding Ltd</b> Director
2023 to 2023	<b>Barnardo's</b> Strategic Lead for Clinical Governance
2019-2023	<b>Cornwall Council</b> Service Manager Safeguarding, Quality and Governance
2017-2019	<b>Swindon Council</b> Named Nurse for Safeguarding Children
2015-2017	<b>Virgin Care/GWH/Wiltshire PCT</b> Specialist Safeguarding Nurse
2011-2015	<b>Virgin Care/GWH/Wiltshire P</b> Health Visitor
2010-2011	<b>North Bristol Trust</b> Health Visitor
2009-2010	<b>Swindon PCT</b> Student Health Visitor
2007-2009	<b>Gloucestershire PCT</b> School Nurse

## Professional Qualifications

2018-2021	University of Birmingham <b>MSc Advanced Child Protection, Merit</b>
2017	University of West of England <b>Issues in Child Protection (M Level module).</b>
2015	University of Warwick <b>Responding to Child Deaths (M Level module).</b>
2013	University of West of England <b>Practice Teaching (M Level module).</b>
2009-2010	University of West of England <b>BSc (Hons) Specialist Public Health Nurse (HV), First Class Honours.</b>
2004-2007	Oxford Brookes University <b>DipHE Adult Nursing, Merit.</b>

## Training

2024 to date	Chartered Management Institute L7 Leadership Coaching and Mentorship
Nov 2024	Solutions 4 Health L1 Oliver McGowan Training
Sept 2024	Safeguarding Associates for Excellence L5 Safeguarding for Managers
July 2024	Slough Safeguarding Partnership L3 Multi-agency Safeguarding Training
Nov 2022	Cornwall Safeguarding Partnership Fabricated and Induced Illness
Sept 2022	Cornwall Safeguarding Partnership Prevent Training
Aug 2021	Devon & Cornwall Police Responding to Child Deaths
Oct 2020	Cornwall Safeguarding Partnership Advanced Neglect

## Expert Witness Background

Associated with AMG Consultancy Services Ltd since 2025. Michelle has worked extensively in the Public Health arena, as a School Nurse, Health Visitor and more recently Safeguarding Lead and at Director level. Throughout her career, including whilst working at a strategic level, Michelle has made a point of maintaining her clinical skills and expertise by working alongside her colleagues to regularly visit and assess families. Evaluation and assessment of health needs, risk assessment and clinical management, together with that of extensive experience of reviewing case files and report writing, that has facilitated the development of skills to prepare expert witness reports. Michelle has attended both criminal and family court as a witness on multiple occasions and prepared numerous court statements for family court.

Awaiting on attendance of the Bond Solon Certificated Legal Training Courses: "Excellence in Report Writing" and "Courtroom Skills – Witness Familiarisation".

## Skills

Report writing	Safeguarding/risk assessment
Health promotion and education	Clinical & quality governance
Immunisations	Developmental assessment
Policy development	Responding to child deaths
Motivational interviewing	Mental capacity act/DOLs

## Memberships

- Nursing and Midwifery Council – Registered Nurse (Adult), RHV and Nurse Prescriber