



CURRICULUM VITAE

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Current Enhanced DBS

Profile:

Vanessa works with vulnerable children and families in her role as a family support worker and contact supervisor. She has worked with families who are subject to both public and private law proceedings and whose difficulties range from mental health, domestic abuse, learning difficulties, neurodiversity, substance misuse and others. She has worked with clients to improve and develop their parenting skills during contact between the parent and child within the setting of general parenting assessments.

Vanessa is confident in her role as a contact supervisor and is able to manage a number of risks within the contact. She supervises and supports contact in a variety of settings including the community, the family home and contact centres to ensure children are safeguarded within a meaningful contact.

Career:

Vanessa has worked as a Family Support Worker for ISW Assessment and Contact LTD since August 2024. In other roles she has worked with families offering direct support with clear objectives and is mindful of risks when completing tasks.

Vanessa has worked as a personal carer for the elderly and vulnerable, including a 17 year old severely disabled boy within the family home. She is skilled at working with multi-disciplinary teams, liaising with professionals and providing detailed reports, that identify strengths, areas of improvements and plan for future work and expectations.

Qualifications:

1970: O-Level passes in English language, English literature, Maths, and History.

1992: ILEX Legal Executive training theory.

Training:

Vanessa has completed a range of additional training courses to enhance and strengthen her practice. These include:

- Dementia awareness
 - Observational skills
 - Manual handling
 - Risk assessment-Covid-vulnerable adults-health and safety
 - First aid.
 - Food and hygiene
 - Data protection
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Employment History:

September 2024 to present

FSW for ISW Contact and Assessment Ltd

- Vanessa undertakes supervised/supported contact for families both in public and private law matters.
- Vanessa undertakes focused pieces of family support work.

Freelance 2021 to 2022

- Legal administrator for Tangible Building Solutions.

Filorga UK 2016 to 2021

- Head of Training and Education to deliver training to staff across the UK.

REN Skincare May 2014 to 2016

- Brand Specialist (Southwest Region). This role included skincare consultations, and training across the UK.

Marks and Spencers Plc November 2012 to May 2014

- Beauty Specialist and skin consultant. Sales.

Bluebird Care 2009 to 2012

- Home carer. As a home carer it was my role to attend vulnerable clients in their home environment, looking after their personal needs, making sure food and medication needs were met.

Chanel 2007 to 2009

- Skin care and make up consultant, Sales.

Sunrise Senior Living, care home 2006 to 2008

Community Relations worker. Sunrise Senior Living is a company dedicated to providing Independent and Assisted living to seniors in a community environment including a specialised neighbourhood for Alzheimer's and Dementia care.