



Call us on **0115 711 7070**

Email
Website
Address

info@akacase.com
www.akacase.com
7 College Street Nottingham NG1 5AQ

AKA helps and empowers people to live life after a devastating, traumatic injury. We promise to listen, nurture and guide as their happiness and wellbeing underpins everything we do. We focus on practical and emotional support in the community and drive the industry for consistently high standards of performance and professionalism.

Angela Kerr
Managing Director

May 2002 – present Managing Director

Working at AKA Case Management Limited to provide a collaborative service that assesses, plans, implements, monitors and evaluates support options and services that meet the unique needs of the traumatically injured people with complex needs and their family.

I also train and clinically supervise other Case Managers within the company. I am a Director and Chair of the British Association of Brain Injury Case Managers (BABICM) which is a membership organisation focused on improving standards of professional practice, training and research. As part of that role and in conjunction with the Case Management Society of UK (CMSUK) and Vocational Rehabilitation Association (VRA), I am a Director and Chair of The Institute of Registered Case Managers, which will be a regulatory body for case managers, to improve services to brain injured individuals nationally both in the private sector and statutory sectors.

June 2000 – May 2002 Director: Mainstay Life Services

A company partnered with Frenkel Topping forensic accountants. My role was to set up, lead and develop the company's case management service by maintaining a clinical case-load including report writing, assessments, and provision of training and clinical supervision for other case managers.

**February 1996 – June 2000 Outreach Services Manager and Community
Assessment Services Manager**

Working for the Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust (BIRT), I was involved in the development of the community rehabilitation services and provided a dedicated service case managing and assessing brain-injured clients alongside Professor Roger Li Wood.

November 1992 – February 1996

Working as a Care Manager and Coordinator for the Nottingham Traumatic Brain Injury Project, a government project, which aimed to identify and coordinate the optimal provision of services for clients with acquired brain injury within both the NHS and Social Services. In essence I was involved in managing client care from the doors of Accident and Emergency through rehabilitation into the community.

Achievements:

- Joining the steering group in 1996 I assisted in the development of The British Association of Brain Injury Case Managers (BABICM) becoming Treasurer 1999 and remaining as a committee member until 2004. In 2016 I took up the role of Chair for a 3 year term.
- Advanced member of BABICM.
- Full member of the Case Managers Society of the United Kingdom (CMSUK)
- Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.
- Involved in the initial set up of "The Silver Lining" Charity created by Dr Sherrie Baehr devoted to enabling the brain injured help themselves through helping those disadvantaged.
- From 2002-04 I was a Director of "Working Memory Limited" alongside Dr Jonathan Rogers of Ashworth Hospital. Working Memory aims to provide high quality training to professionals and carers in cognitive rehabilitation.
- In 2005- 2016 I became a Co-Director of "Heads Up Holidays Limited". This company is the first to provide tailor made assisted holidays to people with brain injury in the world.
- I am the co-author of "Support Manual", a book written for the carers of the traumatically brain-injured, and have had articles published on subjects as diverse as the need for peer supervision to the impact of legislation on case management published in the Barrister.
- Further publications include: Baptiste, B & Kerr, A (2016). Life Care Planning an International Perspective, Brain Injury Professional 13(4), 18-21; Mernin, A. (2017). Social Media Menace, NR Times, 17(3), 50-51.
- I have an ongoing involvement in arranging and presenting at conferences on all aspects of head injury, mostly in conjunction with prominent organisations such as BABICM, CMSUK and VRA.
- Finalist and runner up for the Nursing Times Nurse Leader of the Year 2016.

Early career:

In February 1990 I qualified as a Registered General Nurse (RGN) level 1 at the School of Nursing and Midwifery, Queens Medical Centre, University Hospital Nottingham. I then joined a Medical Ward as a Nutritional Nurse before working on a Neurosurgical/Neuromedical ward as a staff nurse and then junior sister. During this time I worked as a primary nurse and head injury liaison Nurse.

Related Vocational Training and Qualifications:

- Certificates in Neurosurgical Neuromedical Nursing, Teaching and Assessing Clinical Practice (English National Board)
- Certificate in Counselling Skills (Association Examining Board)
- Post Graduate Certificate in Health Service Management (Nottingham Trent University)
- Read for a MA (Hons) in Art & Psychotherapy (Sheffield Hallam University)

Continuing Professional Development (CPD) since revalidation in February 2017.

- Presenting and attending "Riding the Rapids (Negotiating the Challenges of Life After Brain Injury)" – 4th May 2017 – 4.75 hours
- Chairing and attending "2nd International Case Management Conference" – 11th-12th May 2017 – 10 hours
- Chairing and attending "A Brave New World from the cradle to the grave" – 13-14th June 2017 – 10 hours
- Attending "Insight for Leaders-post election challenges and opportunities"- 29th June 2017 – 2 hours
- Presenting and attending – Yorkshire Brain Injury Forum Challenges of social media for brain injured individuals – 11th October 2017 – 2 hours