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**EDUCATION & TRAINING**

1987 Bachelor of Science Degree, Honour Standing

Occupational Therapy Program

Queen’s University, Kingston

1987 Bachelor of Arts Degree, Health

Queen's University, Kingston

2007 Calibrated Assessor, Assessment of Motor and Process Skills

AMPS Project International, Inc. Hampton Falls, NH

**PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

Registered Member, College of Occupational Therapists of Ontario (# G9300938)

Member, Ontario Society of Occupational Therapists

Member, Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists

Member, Ontario Brain Injury Association

Member, Brain Injury Association of Peel & Halton

**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

March 1997 to present **S.E. PELLETT & ASSOCIATES**

1. Sole practice, delivering community-based Occupational Therapy services.
2. Specializing in the assessment and rehabilitation of young adults and adults with Acquired Brain Injuries, applying compensatory and adaptive approaches to maximize functional recovery, and to assist individuals to improve quality of life and to re-build a positive sense of self.
3. Committed to a high degree of professionalism, as well as collaboration with clients, rehabilitation providers, legal representatives, and insurers to set and achieve meaningful and functional goals.

**2008 – 2010 ASSESSNET INC**

***IE Assessor***

* Occupational Therapy assessments for catastrophic determination.
  1. **HAMILTON HOSPITALS ASSESSMENT CENTRE**

# DAC Assessor

# Medical/Rehabilitation Assessments, Disability Assessments, Attendant Care Assessments for clients with soft tissue or Acquired Brain Injuries resulting from motor vehicle accidents.

**1994-1997** **TORONTO OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY ASSOCIATES (TOTA)**

## Senior Occupational Therapist

1. Functional, home & community based assessment and intervention programs for individuals with soft tissue or brain injuries resulting from motor vehicle accidents.
2. Performed Job Site Analyses, Functional Abilities Evaluations for Workers and Homemakers, and facilitated return-to-work programs.
3. Managed the interaction with insurers, rehabilitation consultants, physicians, and other therapists to effectively deliver co-ordinated client-centred rehabilitation programs.

***Manager of Clinical Services***

1. Actively involved in the selection, orientation and ongoing supervision of OT consultants.
2. Contributed to the marketing and development initiatives of TOTA’s Hamilton office.
3. Maintained personal involvement in the promotion of both TOTA and the Occupational Therapy profession through inservicing and informal channels.

**1987-1994** **CHEDOKE-McMASTER HOSPITALS**

***Occupational Therapist*** **Acquired Brain Injury Program**

1. Core member of effective interdisciplinary team providing inpatient assessment, treatment, and program planning for adults with severe brain injuries.
2. Prescribed adaptive equipment and recommended home modifications.
3. Performed case management duties, co-ordinating therapy programs as well as liaising with community and government agencies.
4. Member of Prime Therapy Team (1992-93) providing consultative services, treatment scripts, and direct service.

***Clinical Practice Specialist (Neurology)*** 1992 - 1993

* Managed the clinical activities of 10 therapists: interviewing and orientation of new staff, performance appraisals and coaching, facilitation of personal/professional staff development.

1. Promoted and managed information sharing and program development within the OT department.

**CONTINUING EDUCATION**

***Publications:***

Ylvisaker, M., McPherson, K., Kayes, N., & Pellett, E. (2008). Metaphoric identity mapping: Facilitating goal setting and engagement in rehabilitation after traumatic brain injury. *Neuropsychological Rehabilitation*, *18* (5/6), 713-741.

***Teaching/Presentations:***

* May 2010 McMaster University – Panelist, Becoming an Evidence-Based Practitioner
* Nov – Dec 2009 McMaster University - Clinical Preceptor
* October 2009 Presenter - Provincial ABI Conference, *The Power of Collaborative Projects*

1. May 2009 McMaster University – Student tutorial on Evidence-Based Practice
2. April 2008 McMaster University - Student tutorial on Evidence-Based Practice
3. March 2008 CNIB, Toronto region - Inservice on Acquired Brain Injury
4. June 1999 University of Toronto Occupational Therapy program – Guest lecturer
5. 1990 – 1993 Mohawk College and McMaster University – supervised student placements, co- ordinated a clinical skills lab, tutor for human sexuality workshop, screening of applicants to rehabilitation programs
6. 1990 Co-presenter for Telemedicine

***Courses Attended:***

October 2011 The Art of Living: Life after Brain Injury, Provincial ABI Conference, Niagara Falls

April 2011 Mild TBI: Current Directions in Diagnosis & Treatment - 18th Annual Conference on Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation in Acquired Brain Injury, Hamilton

October 2009 Harnessing the Power after Brain Injury, Provincial ABI Conference, Niagara Falls

November 2008 Toronto ABI Network Conference, Toronto

Sept 2008 Discharge & Beyond – The 8th Annual Spinal Cord & Neurotrauma Conference, Burlington

June 2008 Advances in Research & Practice - The 15th Annual Conference on Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation in Acquired Brain Injury, Hamilton

May 2008 Preceptor Workshop, (McMaster University), Hamilton

Sept 2007 Health Claims for Auto Insurance, Hamilton

May 7-11, 2007 Assessment of Motor and Process Skills (AMPS) Training Course, Toronto

March 2006 Evidence-based Practice Skills Seminar, Hamilton

February 2006 Automobile Insurance Update Seminar, Hamilton

October 2005 5th Annual Interurban Acquired Brain Injury Conference, Peterborough

May 2005 Brain Injuries – Interdisciplinary Approach to Neurotrauma Care, Seattle WA

Sept 2003 Canadian Seating & Mobility Conference, Toronto

September 2003 Collaborative Planning Groups – Protocols for Community Intervention with ABI Clients (Dr. M. Ylvisaker, Dr. T. Feeney), Peterborough

June 2003 Balancing Act – Acquired Brain Injury and Mental Health – 10th Annual Conference on Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation in Acquired Brain Injury

May 2003 Bill 198: What the Health Professional Needs to Know, (BIAPH), Mississauga

February 2001 Accountable OT Practice in the Automobile Insurance Sector (COTO), Hamilton

March 2000 The Frontal Lobes (The Rotman Research Institute), Toronto

May 1999 Setting the Record Straight on Mild Traumatic Brain Injury - 6th Annual Conference on Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation in Acquired Brain Injury

May 1998 Anxiety Busting With Cognitive Therapy (Dr. G. Dubord), Toronto

May 1998 Blending Approaches - 5th Annual Conference on Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation in Acquired Brain Injury, Hamilton.

March 1998 Heart Saver (A) program (Heart and Stroke Foundation), Oakville

May 1997 Barriers, Challenges, Solutions - 4th Annual Conference on Neurobehavioural Rehabilitation in Acquired Brain Injury, Hamilton

May 1995 Canadian Association of Occupational Therapists, Annual Conference, Edmonton

May 1994 Hands Up - A Repetitive Strain Injuries Seminar, Toronto

March-June, 1993 Behaviour Modification Course, (Chedoke-McMaster Hospital), Hamilton

May 1993 Introduction to Total Quality Management (Career Track), Hamilton

April 1993 Problem Based Learning Workshop (McMaster University), Hamilton

January 1993 Cognitive and Physical Aspects of Apraxia (Dr. Eric Roy), Kingston

October 1992 Disability and Sexuality (Dr. Norm Chernick), Niagra Falls

November 1990 Building a Lifetime of Growth (Ontario Head Injury Association), Hamilton

May 1989 A Practical Approach to the Brain Injured Client (Dr. C. Mateer), London

May 1989 Functional Independence Measure Workshop (University of Buffalo)

November 1988 Rehabilitation of Perceptual-Cognitive Dysfunction (Beatriz Abreu), Buffalo

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