



## **Megan Forshaw**

### *Speech and Language Therapist*

Health and Care Professions Council number: SL043471

Royal College of Speech and Language Therapists registration number: RC0044668

### **Personal Profile**

I am empathetic, caring and always client centred in my approach allowing me to build meaningful relationships and develop an environment where clients feel trusted, included and valued. I am a dedicated and conscientious Speech and Language Therapist with a passion for empowering clients and supporting in developing their confidence and communication skills to their highest potential. I believe in a holistic approach involving the client, family and MDT to create communication goals and support physical and mental health wellbeing. I have the skills to actively listen and learn, using reflection and collaboration to continually develop to be able to support clients to the highest standard. I believe everybody has the right to communication and I am committed to building positive relationships with clients and families to make an impactful difference in client's lives.

### **Professional Qualifications**

**2022 – Present: Manchester Metropolitan University-** BSc (Hons) Speech and Language Therapy- Upper Second Class Honours

**2014 - 2017: Leeds Beckett University-** BA (Hons) Business Studies- First Class Honours

### **Employment History**

#### **ATtherapy: Speech and Language Therapist- September 2025- Present**

Within my role I work with a mixed paediatric and adult case load to support clients with communication difficulties following acquired brain injury, this can include supporting clients in accessing and developing skills to use both paper based and electronic Augmentative Alternative Communication (AAC) methods. I work with clients in varied community settings and support with providing person centred therapy, including creating personalised therapy sessions to include a clients communication goals, clients' interests and areas of focus following observation and assessment. I complete comprehensive assessments and develop personalised targets and reports which supports clients to reach their highest communicative potential. I collaborate with families, teaching staff, case managers, assistive technologists and other healthcare professionals to create a holistic integrated approach for clients.

#### **Integrated Service for Children with Additional Needs (ISCAN) -Tameside and Glossop Integrated Care NHS Foundation Trust- January 2025- March 2025**

During this placement I supported with a community caseload within the complex needs team, working with early years and primary school aged children with social communication difficulties and Autism. I completed assessments and worked alongside families and teaching staff to implement communication strategies and paper based Augmentative Alternative Communication. I also supported with completing different speech, language and communication assessments with children in primary and secondary school, including: CELF, TALC, ACE, RAPT, DLS. In addition, I worked as part of a multidisciplinary team completing joint assessment and target setting with Occupational Therapy and Physiotherapy.

#### **Adult Learning Disability Community Health Team Cheshire East- Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust- May 2024- June 2024**

In this role I shadowed a senior SLT and developed my knowledge and experience surrounding dysphagia assessments and advising safe eating and drinking plans. I developed a picture supported communication tool to assist clients communicating their likes and dislikes within an inpatient learning disability unit.

### [Salford Royal Adult Acute Stroke Team- Northern Care Alliance NHS Foundation Trust- January 2024- March 2024](#)

In this role I analysed client referrals to understand the different areas of brain injury and completed initial assessments followed by language assessments including the CAT and Armstrong Naming Test. This placement developed my knowledge on adult acquired brain injuries and how to support with different speech, language and communication difficulties. I supported clients with different forms of aphasia, dysarthria and cognitive communication difficulties.

### [ATtherapy Placement- September 2023- December 2023](#)

During this placement I developed my knowledge and experience of Augmentative Alternative Communication and acquired brain injuries with paediatric and young adult clients. I supported in the delivery of therapy sessions surrounding different speech, language and communication difficulties such as stammering and social emotional mental health. I worked with a multidisciplinary team including joint assessments with assistive technologists.

## **Training**

### [Mental Health Awareness Certification \(2025\)](#)

I attended a course with St Johns Ambulance which teaches skills for providing assistance to individuals experiencing mental health difficulties and how to recognise the signs of different mental health difficulties.

### [Makaton Level 1 \(2024\)](#)

I attended the training course to become Level 1 accredited in Makaton Signing. I wanted to develop this skill to be able to support and communicate with children/adults who may use this form of communication.

### [Introductory British Sign Language \(BSL\) 6 Week Course \(2024\)](#)

I took part in an introductory course into BSL to provide me with some basic sign language skills, to widen my ability to communicate with others.

### [Connect Housing, Leeds \(January 2015\)](#)

I took part in the training to become a voluntary befriender where I was matched with a person who needed help and support due to being lonely.

## **Additional Skills**

### [Graduate of the Year - Ultimate Products \(2019/2020\)](#)

I won the award for graduate of the year out of 60 other graduates within my previous job role. This is an achievement I am extremely proud of as I won the award after only 8 months with the company, I feel this shows my ability to develop meaningful working relationships and the hard work and commitment I put into all that I do.

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