

PROFILE

Over the last 20 years, Christina has gained experience in both the private and public sectors, working in the UK, WA and Queensland. She has an interest in research, has one published paper and is mentoring therapists in their future research. She has presented her projects at an international level.

Christina has worked as a manager in private practice and Clinical Lead (HP5) in the public system. She now teaches Hand Therapy courses for the Australian Hand Therapy Association, whilst maintaining a clinical case load.

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CHRISTINA HARWOOD Accredited Hand/Occupational Therapist



PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

- Current registration with the Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (AHPRA)
- Member of the Australian Hand Therapy Association (AHTA)
- Associate Member of the Queensland Hand Surgery Society (QHSS)
- Master of Occupational Therapy, University of Queensland, 2001
- Bachelor of Science, University of Queensland, 1999

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Christina has been a dedicated Hand Therapist since 2004, bringing extensive expertise in objective assessment and a deep understanding of the musculoskeletal system to her clients.

With significant experience in managing complex upper limb trauma, she has successfully treated patients with revascularization and replantation injuries, crush injuries, as well as nerve, tendon, ligament repairs, and fractures of all types.

Christina plays a pivotal role in facilitating a safe and successful return to work for her clients. Through comprehensive task analysis, worksite assessments, and close collaboration with key stakeholders, she ensures optimal rehabilitation outcomes.

Her early career encompassed a broad range of occupational therapy caseloads, including medical, surgical, and mental health settings, further enriching her holistic approach to patient care.

She is able to provide a credible opinion in regard to any or all of the following;

- Functional capacity and skills assessment
- Personal and domestic activities of daily living (ADL) assessments
- Evaluation of past and future care needs
- · Assessment of capacity for employment
- Identification of future therapy requirements
- Recommendations for assistive technology

STRENGTHS

- Objective review of bulk information to succinctly summarize key details
- Clear and concise report writing
- Current clinical experience
- Commitment to ongoing professional development
- Ability to carry out functional capacity assessments