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QUALIFICATIONS

MANAGING SUCCESSFUL PROGRAMMES & PRINCE 2

- Practitioner

DIPLOMA IN EMERGENCY PLANNING AND RESILIENCE

DIPLOMA IN MEDIA MANAGEMENT

LIVERPOOL UNIVERSITY

- Bachelor of Nursing

KEY SKILLS

- Children's Services Leadership
- Transformational Change programme management and delivery
- Local government governance and political engagement
- Efficiency and improvement
- Children's Services Commissioning
- Commercial strategy, contract management and negotiation

PROFILE

A seasoned consultant with a strong background and passion for public service and excellence. Sarah has over 25 years of leadership experience in local government and the NHS, with 18 years as a Director and Chief Officer. She specialises in children's services transformation and efficiency.

Sarah is driven to achieve sustained improvement. She has delivered successful outcomes in highly political, complex and challenging environments, relying on her technical knowledge, understanding of current issues, tenacity, leadership style and resilience.

EXPERIENCE

Senior leadership, political engagement, governance and transformational change within local authorities

Sarah is skilled at the navigation of the political dimension bringing insight as a councillor as well as chief officer from roles such as:

- Councillor at Solihull Council
- Interim AD Children's Services, Birmingham City Council
- Chief Officer Children's Services - Leeds City Council

Significant senior experience and expertise in children's services, operational delivery, service review and transformation, efficiency, sustainability and improvement, commissioning and project and programme management

- Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council, Children's Transformation. Commissioned to undertake a diagnostic review of children's services including business support and enabling functions and to design and deliver a 3-year transformation programme.
- North Northamptonshire Council and West Northamptonshire Council Review of Educational Psychology Services
- Birmingham City Council Children's commissioning programme
- Bedford Borough Council children's placements review
- Nottingham City Council review of commissioning and use of alternative provision (AP) services
- Cardiff County Council review of children's social care transformation

Practical experience in public health, strategy, service integration and building effective partnerships

- City Health Care Partnerships CIC - Reviews of governance and operational delivery
- Development of Birmingham Infant Feeding Strategy

One of the country's leading experts on the establishment and operation of Children's Trusts

- Sarah led programmes to establish Children's Trusts in Bradford, Birmingham, Sunderland and Northamptonshire.

