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KEY SKILLS

- Home to school transport policy development
- Mainstream, SEND, Adults transport
- Systems and process improvement
- Procurement solutions
- ICT systems procurement and implementation
- Independent travel training and personal budgets

JENNIE LUCAS

ASSOCIATE EXPERT

PROFILE

A national expert in SEND and Home to School Transport, Jennie has consulted with 10+ local authorities to improve children's transport. She has worked within the SEND field for many years, and had managerial and customer relations experience. This has included Mainstream, social care transport for Adults and Children and ICT solutions. She is driven by making a positive difference for families and colleagues as well as having the ability to organise people and systems in order to achieve objectives.

EXPERIENCE

• One of the foremost experts nationally on SEND and home to school transport

- DFE- (Department for Education) Jennie works with the DFE around ongoing discussion for Home to School transport especially in relation to SEN- Post and Pre 16.
- ATCO- Works closely with Midlands and North ATCO team to ensure any details from DFE or other organizations are cascaded and implemented as well as ensuring information and concerns are fed back to relevant departments. Regular contributor to meetings around country.
- Member of Advisory Board for award winning Spectrum Courses. As member of Advisory board she helps to develop and implement online training courses "How to transport vulnerable children and adults with special needs" and a major focus is around Safeguarding and ensuring right level of training is achieved.

• Delivered many transformational projects regarding home to school transport, including:

- Cumberland Council. Review of Home to School policy.
- Transport for West Midlands. Ring and Ride policy review especially around Safeguarding and compliance around Vulnerable adults.
- Surrey County Council. Reviewing and engagement with Operational stakeholders like Schools, Transport providers and families to understand the current issues and offer tried and tested solutions.
- Ealing Council. Looking at current offers for SEND particularly focusing on Independent Travel Training as well as Personal Travel Budgets especially around producing a Family friendly version of Post 16 policy. Lead implementation of IT solution for Home to School - SEND while improving process as IT system is on boarded.
- Thurrock Council. Provide an overview of the Home to School service with special focus on SEND with a view to providing current process and where improvements can be made to improve service as well as drive savings.
- 365 Response Limited (Software Company). Helped design technology to support Home to School transport for Local Authorities and private contractors.