

WELCOME TO MY AUTUMN 2022 NEWSLETTER



Siobhan McSweeney (Nursing Consultant & Registered Case Manager) & Marie Claire Foley (Associate Case Manager) with their client, Amira who sustained a spinal injury at 18 months and Bart van der Kroom (Physiotherapist) from "Made for Movement" who supplied an Innowalk which is a motorised assistive device which offered physical and emotional wellbeing by providing the opportunity for moderate physical activity. The Innowalk offers an upright standing position along with movement which has a great impact on a child's physical and psychological development who is wheelchair dependent.

I hope my Autumn newsletter finds you in good spirits. Here at MCS Case Management, we have remained very busy supporting our families of loved ones with complex needs. Our clients include children and adults with cerebral palsy, acquired brain injuries or spinal injuries. By working with the most innovative practices available, we aim to transform an award of damages into a meaningful and fulfilled future for our clients and their families. We have been privileged to have engaged with some very special clients, and family members

Regards,

Siobhan McSweeney
 RGN, RM, Registered Case Manager

Over the last 6 months, we have assisted families to:

- gain the necessary care supports they require
- put families in touch with specialist therapeutic services to include robotic technology
- sources accessible holidays in Ireland and abroad, so families could take much-needed breaks
- purchase and build their own accessible homes
- move to an independent living solution
- we attended all updates on the Assisted Decision Making Capacity Act by the Wards of Court and the Decision Support Service
- we sourced and purchased a driving simulator for a client who was unable to do his theory test and wanted to be able to drive. He can now drive all over Europe virtually from the comfort of his home.
- we are proud sponsors of the Crann initiative, Irelands first accessible playground

MCS Case Management Ltd also provide specialist reports for the courts, [quantum/cost of care reports](#), and Causational & Liability Reports. We specialise in case management services, initial needs assessment reports, case management reports and cost of care reports for solicitors.

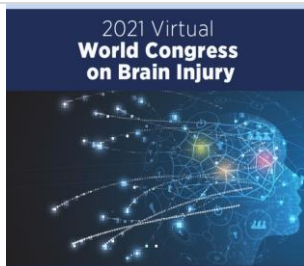


WITH OUR EXPERTISE AND EXPERIENCE, MCS CASE MANAGEMENT CAN MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE

Siobhan Mc Sweeney operates MCS Case Management providing services to clients with complex medical needs and catastrophic injuries such as Cerebral Palsy, Brain Injury and Spinal Injuries. MCS provide personal injury case management services nationwide. Case management is an active process devoted to the co-ordination, rehabilitation, care and support of people with complex clinical needs. A competent Case Manager will transform an award of damages into a meaningful and fulfilled future for their client. Our website www.mcscasemanagement.ie is an excellent resource of useful information, blog posts and links.

The Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration and Youth has informed the Decision Support Service (DSS) that a 'go-live' date of 21 November 2022 has been selected for the full commencement of the Assisted Decision-Making (Capacity) Act 2015 (the 2015 Act). MCS Case Management are currently assisting clients and families with the discharge from Wardship process.

All of the staff at MCS Case Management are thrilled to be exhibiting the amazing work they do for attendees of the Solicitors Growth Summit at the end of October. Moreover, Siobhán is humbled and honoured to be among the all-star Summit Speakers who will be presenting over the two-day event.



We were delighted to present a paper at the World Brain Injury Conference 2021 "The positive effects of an intensive multi-disciplinary intervention six years after traumatic brain injury - a case study of an Irish Case Managers experience".



MCS Case Management have been listed as a finalist by the Irish Law Awards 2022 in the category of "Service Provider to the Legal Profession"



Spinal Injuries Ireland work to support all people with spinal cord injuries in Ireland. Visit their website to see the great line up of events they offer.

<https://spinalinjuries.ie/allevants/>

Headway Brain Injury Services & Supports provide a multitude of services for people with a brain injury and their families. Go to their website for up-to-date information.

<https://headway.ie/our-services/what-we-do/>



Siobhan had the pleasure of visiting the ABI headquarters in Dun Laoghaire recently.

The have produced a beautiful bound folder “A Guide Book for Carers” which you can download on their website.

<https://www.abiireland.ie/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/ABI-Carers-Programme-Download.pdf>

You can find many other supports there also. <https://www.abiireland.ie/>



Leap Ireland have a large range of resources and webinars coming up soon which might be of interest. Visit their website to read more news and events.

<https://www.leapireland.com/news-and-events/>



Assisting Families of Children with Disabilities to Take Action for an Inclusive Life

INTERESTING IRISH NEWS

Financial Wellbeing are running a Special Needs Trust Planning webinar on Tuesday 8th of November at 8.00 pm. If you would like to attend, you can register on the link below: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZAocejopjksHdVn-oQoUn7KvMF6SoroMadH>

They also provide information and resources about:

- Empowering your child
- Budget 2023
- Importance of a Will

[Click here to read more.](#)



Axon Rehab based in Birdhill, Co Tipperary have moved into their new rehabilitation facility. They offer neurological rehabilitation and world class robotic technology including the Molli suit. <https://www.axonrehab.ie/>

Safe Care Technologies, a Cork based company will be holding a Webinar on Eye Gaze Technology on the 8th of November. They will be covering An introduction to eye tracking settings- Calibration, Positioning and Customisation. Please find the link to register and more information on their website: <https://safecaretechnologies.com/>



Olivia Sinclair (Director of Advanced Community Care, Resilience Care), Jack Kavanagh (Motivational Speaker) and Siobhan Mc Sweeney, CEO of MCS Case Management Ltd.

It was amazing to hear keynote speaker Jack Kavanagh at The Annual Symposium hosted by Resilience Care in October 2022. Jack gave a motivational talk on wellbeing, resilience and diverse abilities. Jack encouraged everyone to consider their mental, physical & emotional well-being during his talk.



Siobhan with An Taoiseach Micheal Martin who officially opened the Accessible Playground at CRANN in Ovens Co. Cork

The Crann Centre in Ovens Co. Cork provides lifelong support for families living with neurophysical disabilities in Ireland so they can flourish. We were absolutely delighted to have been invited to the opening of the country's first fully accessible playground for children with neurophysical disabilities at The CRANN Centre and grateful to have been able to sponsor this project and see it develop.

It is a 1/4 of an acre site with an abundance of accessible play options and a wide variety of experiences for families with disabilities to have fun, learn and grow together.

<https://cranncentre.ie/events>



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Solutions for families with neuro-physical disabilities

NEW FROM THE UK AND AROUND THE WORLD

Accessible Dreams believe that every dream is accessible and thus offers clients opportunities and adventures that are often assumed to be beyond the reach of those with serious injuries. Having established annual Skiing, Surfing and African Safari trips, they offer a bespoke service that is tailored to the individual needs of each client. With a vast network of resources and contacts globally, they are able to harness the skills of companions, cooks and counsellors to bring to life any event and reach any destination.

<https://www.accessibledreams.co.uk/>



Siobhán recently visited the LEGOLAND® Resort Hotel in Windsor to assess their accessible rooms. Both resort hotels have accessible rooms with hoists available upon request. Their accessible rooms at LEGOLAND® Hotel include:

- LEGO Friends
- Kingdom Themed
- Pirate Themed
- Adventure Themed

Their accessible rooms in our LEGOLAND® Castle Hotel include:

- Knight Theme

For more information and to book: <https://support.legoland.co.uk> (Accessible Rooms)



Verbier 4 All offer winter accessible holidays and adventure sports in Switzerland for wheelchair users.

<https://www.verbier4all.ch/en/>

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