

Biography Dr. Alison Porter-Armstrong



Alison is an academic occupational therapist employed as a Senior Lecturer in Rehabilitation Sciences in the School of Health Sciences at the University of Ulster and has been an active researcher for 20 years.

Alison's research interests include: assistive technologies, seating and postural support, pressure care mapping, and innovations in practice. She has published widely in these areas authoring over 100 peer reviewed publications, commissioned research reports and conference presentations. Her research programme has generated significant research grant income, and has involved collaboration with a variety of prestigious organisations, including the University of California Los Angeles, The University of Pittsburgh, Georgia Institute of Technology and The University of Sao Paulo Brazil. Alison has provided representation to a number of external professional committees relating to research including membership of the Research and Development Board of the College of Occupational Therapists and Editorial Board roles on *Quality in Ageing*; *The British Journal of Occupational Therapy* and *Physical Therapy Reviews*. Recently awarded a Cochrane Fellowship, Alison is currently leading a team of eminent academics in conducting an international review of the research evidence on "Education of healthcare professionals for preventing pressure ulcers".