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Victoria is a partner in our Health Advisory and Inquests team, providing national support. She has a range of experience in dealing with complex mental capacity and mental health matters in a variety of jurisdictions, including the High Court. She also has experience with the interplay between healthcare and the Family Court. Victoria leads on the team's 'Re X' community deprivation of liberty offering.

She acts for a range of clients including commissioners, trusts, local authorities and providers. Victoria has also spent time on a number of client secondments, including one to a large acute North West trust to help support them through the COVID-19 pandemic.

Expertise

Access, funding and continuing healthcare

Deprivation of liberty

Inquests

Medical treatment decisions and disputes

Mental capacity and the Court of Protection

Offender health

Safety and learning in healthcare

Social care services

Featured experience

Deprivation of Liberty of a child

Wigan BC v Y (Refusal to Authorise Deprivation of Liberty). [2021] EWHC 1982 (Fam). (14 July 2021), concerning the deprivation of liberty of a 12-year-old child with mental health issues.

Intervener proceedings

RL v Nottinghamshire CC & Anor (Rev1). [2022] EWFC 13 (08 March 2022). (bailii.org). Successful challenge on behalf of NHS Trust further to application of Mother to seek to re-open fact finding hearing.

Serious Medical treatment

KM, Re [2021] EWCOP 42 (10 May 2021). (bailii.org) concerning ECMO treatment for a patient suffering from Covid-19 pneumonia.

Serious Medical treatment

Re Z (Medical Treatment: Invasive Ventilation). [2021] EWHC 2613 (Fam). (24 September 2021), application on behalf of NHS Trust for determination of ceiling of medical treatment for a child.

Testimonials

"Victoria is super friendly and very supportive."

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