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Samantha graduated as an occupational therapist in 1992 and has worked in clinical and education settings in low, middle and high-resourced settings, working to effect change at government, institutional and service level.

Samantha is the President of the World Federation of Occupational Therapists (WFOT) as well as a member of the Founding Board for the International Society of Wheelchair Professionals (ISWP). She is also a member of the Steering Committee for the World Health Organisation's World Rehabilitation Alliance, acting as co-chair for the Workforce workstream.

Presently based in the UK, Samantha practices as an occupational therapist and is a Director of The OT Service a private occupational therapy service providing rehabilitation and consultancy services.

Samantha is respected by her peers and is a Fellow of the Royal College of Occupational Therapists (UK). She has over 30 years' experience designing and facilitating service delivery and regularly provides international expertise and mentorship on leadership, advocacy, curricula design and service development. She is passionate about occupational therapy and its unique contribution to how people live their lives.