

Professional Profile for Jo Kitney

Director & Principal Consultant



Jo has 25 years' experience working in industry with a focus on risk, occupational health, safety, quality and environmental management. Her commitment and insights are continuously on display in her work and standards of service provided by Kitney®.

Jo is strategic, tactical and knowledgeable with a particular interest in due diligence, governance, strategy and planning, management systems, education and capability development, occupational/employee health and injury prevention. She is an accomplished manager, consultant, presenter, writer, mentor and coach.

Experience

Jo has experience across a range of industries in Australia and the UK including manufacturing, maritime, commercial, health care, heavy industry, education and not for profit, at all levels of the organisation from shop floor to board room. Jo works with small, medium and large organisations, law firms, Qld's WHS regulator and the Australian Institute of Health and Safety (AIHS).

Jo is skilled at responding to WHS/business needs and establishing short and longer term solutions, delivering on these directly or through Kitney OHS's team of well qualified and experienced consultants. Jo has a strong commitment to standards for WHS practice, is Chair of the AIHS's OHS Certification Governance Committee and is the AIHS's Brisbane Representative. She regularly writes for industry journals, is an accomplished MC and organises and presents at conferences and seminars.

In Australia, Jo's previous posts include State Manager WHS Chamber of Commerce and Industry Queensland (CCIQ), where she was responsible for working with CCIQ's members and non-members, regulators, authorities and industry groups and for managing a team of WHS consultants providing WHS services across Queensland. Prior to this she was the Corporate Safety Team Leader for Brisbane City Council, responsible for managing the corporate WHS team and providing WHSO services to 3000 staff.

In the UK, Jo trained as a Registered Nurse and Occupational Health Nurse and established a consultancy practice servicing Federal Mogul (foundry/engineering), Serco (service), British Safety Council (OH courses), Royal College of Nursing (OH Nursing degree program) and Croners CCH (editorial advisor and author).

Qualifications

- ✓ Master in Health Sciences (Health & Safety)
- ✓ Graduate Dip Health, Safety & Environment (Distinction)
- ✓ Bachelor of Health Sciences (Occ Health Nursing) (1st Class)
- ✓ Diploma of Occupational Health Nursing
- ✓ Diploma in Quality Auditing & Lead Auditor - OHS, quality and environmental management systems
- ✓ Fire Safety Advisor
- ✓ Occupational Health Nurse & Registered Nurse
- ✓ Conduct Lifting Operations (RIIHAN203D)
- ✓ Operate a Gantry or Overhead Crane RIIHAN305D)
- ✓ Certificate in Manual Handling Training
- ✓ Certification in Stress Management Training
- ✓ Certificate in Counselling Skills
- ✓ Rehabilitation and Return to Work Coordinator
- ✓ Cert IV in Small Business Management

Registrations & Memberships

- ✓ Registered Safety Practitioner (Aust)
- ✓ Chartered OHS Professional (ChOHSP)
- ✓ Graduate Member, Institution of Occupational Safety and Health (IOSH)
- ✓ Registered Nurse (Qld Nursing Council)
- ✓ Occupational Health Nurse and Registered Nurse (NMC, UK)
- ✓ Royal College of Nursing (UK)

Appointments

- ✓ Member, WHSQ Manufacturing Industry Sector Standing Committee
- ✓ Chair, Certification Governance Committee, AIHS
- ✓ Brisbane Representative, AIHS