

One-page Curriculum Vitae – Dr Anna Volkmer

Present Appointment:

1st October 2020 – present

Senior Research Fellow, Language and Cognition UCL.

1st October 2019 - present

Lecturer, Language and Cognition, UCL.

6th April 2023 - present

Honorary Consultant Speech and Language Therapist, National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery, UCLH.

Other appointments and affiliations: IJLCD Associate Editor, Invited grant reviewer for NIHR, GWIS & PD Society, Co-lead of the UK Rare Dementia Support PPA support group.

Qualifications:

2020

Doctor of Philosophy, Language and Cognition, University College London, UK.

2009

Masters of Clinical Rehabilitation, Flinders University, Adelaide, South Australia.

2002

BSc (2:1) Human Communication Sciences, University College London, UK.

Research Grants:

Oct 2023 – July 2024

Volkmer, A (Lead App) UCL Equality Research in Brains Sciences Research Fund (£1981.00) An exploration of the barriers and facilitators to accessing care and support for people from diverse backgrounds living with rare forms of dementia.

July 2022 – June 2027

NIHR Advanced Fellowship (£733,598), "Better Conversations with Primary Progressive Aphasia and other rare dementias (BCPPA): Speech and Language Therapy to keep families together." NIHR302240

April 2021-March 2022

Volkmer, A (Lead App); Farrington-Douglas, C, Warren, J & Mummery, C. (£72,880) Evaluating the novel National PPA Speech and Language Therapy service at the National Hospital for Neurology and Neurosurgery. UCLH Charity

April 2021-July 2021

Volkmer, A & Hardy, C. "Primary Progressive Aphasia: A Core Outcome Set for improving intervention research" (£9,000) UCL Global Challenge.

Oct 2020-Sept 2021

National Institute for Health Research (NIHR) Development Skills Enhancement award (£21,231.00) NIHR301093

Oct 2015-Sept 2019

NIHR Doctoral Research Fellowship (£312,956), "Better Conversations with Primary Progressive Aphasia (BCPPA): Communication training to keep families together" 2015-08-182

Selection of Publications:

Volkmer, A., Beeke, S., Warren, J., Spector, A. & Walton, H. (2023) Development of fidelity of delivery and enactment measures for interventions in communication disorders. *British Journal of Health Psychology*. Early online.

Volkmer, A., Mistry, S., Thompson, D., Warren, J.D. & Beeke, S. (2023) Collaborative turn construction practices of people with Primary Progressive Aphasia and their family conversation partners. *Journal of Interactional Research in Communication Disorders*.

Volkmer, A., Bruns, C., Zimmerer, V., Varley, R., & Beeke, S. (2023). Giving Voice to People With Dementia and Their Carers: The Impact of Communication Difficulties on Everyday Conversations. *International Journal of Qualitative Methods*, 22, 16094069231171096.

Volkmer, A., Walton, H., Swinburn, K., Spector, A., Warren, J. D., & Beeke, S. (2023). Results from a randomised controlled pilot study of the Better Conversations with Primary Progressive Aphasia (BCPPA) communication partner training program for people with PPA and their communication partners. *Pilot and Feasibility Studies* DOI: 10.1186/s40814-023-01301-6

Loizidou M, Brotherhood E, Harding E, Crutch S, Warren JD, Hardy CJ, **Volkmer A.** (2023) 'Like going into a chocolate shop, blindfolded': What do people with primary progressive aphasia want from speech and language therapy?. *IJLCD* 58 (3) 737-755.

Volkmer A, Farrington-Douglas C, Crutch S, Beeke S, Warren J, Yong K. Better conversations: a language and communication intervention for aphasia in posterior cortical atrophy. *Neurocase*. 2022 Jul 4;28(4):356-63

Conference presentations (Selection of Talks):

2023 Volkmer, A. British Aphasiology International Conference, Sep 13-15th 2023, UCL, London

2023 Volkmer, A. Clinical Aphasiology Society Conference, 30th May – 3rd June 2023, Atlantic City, America.