

# CONNECT WEEKLY

## HEART TO HEART with the EDITOR



**Name:** Zach Corbett.

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**Tell us about your journey with Momentum Support?** There's a lot but I'll try to keep it short! I started with Momentum Support back in 2014 at our Aerospace Manufacturer customers site in Belfast. I gained my first experience of the business working in Operations / Health & Safety, and after a while I became part of the management team onsite. I absolutely loved working in this fast-paced environment, it gave me tons of experience including a platform to raise my profile within the company. I formed many great relationships and learnt a lot of good lessons that I still carry with me today. Based on this experience I gained the opportunity to help you (the Editor and Chief!) and set up the new Governance & CSR division back in 2017 when we first started our journey with BITCI. After this I moved into my current role managing Health & Safety, Compliance and Risk for Momentum Support. It has been great to grow with the company and I am very privileged to work alongside some of the best in the business!

**What volunteering experiences have you enjoyed most?** I volunteered in 2009 with the Emanuel Trust Charity in Calcutta, India. We got involved in a few community projects, including the orphanage and school. This involved organising sports events and arts and crafts activities for the children. We also visited a drug rehabilitation centres and the shanty towns which were a huge eyeopener. Families that had so little but were so unbelievably

generous and kind. Another really enjoyable experience was Momentum Support's Suicide or Survive SOS Soccer Palooza Event in September 2019. There was blood, sweat and tears, mostly tears from a close colleague who shall remain nameless when he injured himself trying to play like he was 18 again. All while raising money for a great cause.

**What is your take on Leadership?** One of the most important things is to lead by the **right** example – don't be afraid to stand out from the crowd and do something totally different.

**Let's talk COVID-19 and how Momentum Support has responded?** It has been such a crazy start to 2020 and I don't think anyone could have foreseen how the situation played out and the impact that it has had on families and businesses. I am so proud of the critical work that our people are doing in all our customers sites. Like many organisation's our response started with managing the fallout from the crisis with our number one priority being the safety of our people and our customers. We had to first understand and interpret information received from the Health Authority bodies and the Government which was changing constantly as there was very little known about the virus at the time. I was part of our COVID-19 Working Group and was involved in developing risk assessments and method statements, training, communications and guidance which had to be developed quickly. During this time, we got a special mention through one of the BITCI's network webinars, as one of the organisation's leading the way by developing a COVID-19 Employee Guide. We are now thankfully moving into a phase of recovery, with our focus and attention, now on guiding sites to re-open safely, while ensuring we comply with the Governments return to work guidelines.



**Momentum Supports Zach Corbett, Andy Florence including friends and family supporting our charity partner Suicide or Survive, SOS at the Soccer Palooza September 2019.**

**What advice would you offer a young person that isn't sure what they want to do in life?** Life isn't one big plan, break it down into chunks. Think about what is it that you really want to do right now in this chunk and put all your effort and energy into making it happen.

**Tell me something others may not know about you?** On and off from about age seventeen into my twenties, I worked on Game of Thrones in the armour department and then in the horse department alongside The Devils Horsemen stunt team as a horse rider. They actually taught me a few stunt tricks, but I wasn't very good!

