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PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

QiCN (Distinction)

Independent route - 2012

D.Clin.Psy.

Universities of Coventry and Warwick – 2002

PhD.

University of Manchester - 1994

BA(Hons.) 2:1

University of Wales: Swansea - 1988

CURRENT TRAINING

Completed Expert Witness Training Seminars (The Role and Duty of the Expert Witness; Skills in Report Writing; Skills in preparing Joint Statements; Cross-examination and Courtroom Skills)

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

HCPC registered Clinical Psychologist: PYL16232

Specialist Register of Clinical Neuropsychologists:
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TYPICAL AREAS OF INVOLVEMENT

Personal Injury (Adults and Children); PTSD; Anxiety Disorders; Depression; Road Accident; Effects of Automatism in Traffic Situations; Work Accident; Housing Stress; Chronic Pain; Employment Cases; Neuropsychology

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist (1.0wtr)

2016 – Current

The Oxford Psychological Medicine Centre, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Principal Clinical Neuropsychologist (1.0 wte).

2007-2016

Clinical Neuropsychology Services, Sheffield Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust.

Honorary Lecturer in Clinical Psychology

2011-2016

Department of Psychology, University of Sheffield.

Lecturer in Clinical Psychology (0.6wte), Clinical Psychology

2001-2011

Unit, Department of Psychology, University of Sheffield.

Principal Clinical Neuropsychologist (0.4wte).

2007-2011

Clinical Neuropsychology Services, Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield.

Senior Clinical Psychologist (0.4wte)

2005-2007

Clinical Neuropsychology Services, Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield.

Clinical Psychologist (0.4wte),

2002-2005

Clinical Neuropsychology Services, Royal Hallamshire Hospital, Sheffield.

Trainee Clinical Psychologist, Doctor of Clinical Psychology Course. Universities of Coventry and Warwick.

1999-2002

Post- Doctoral Research Associate on MRC funded Programme Grant. Identifying lesion location and functional deficit in people with amnesia. Department of Clinical Neurology, University of Sheffield.

1994-1999

CLINICS: Barnstaple, Oxford (Neuropsychological appointments only)

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- Mayes, A. R., Hunkin, N. M., Isaac, C., & Muhlert, N. (2018).** Are there distinct forms of accelerated forgetting and, if so, why?. *Cortex*. doi:[10.1016/j.cortex.2018.04.005](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cortex.2018.04.005)
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- Galarza, M., Isaac, C, Pellicer Porcar, O., Mayes, A., Broks, P., Montaldi, D., Denby, C. & Simeone, F. (2014).** Jazz, Guitar and Neurosurgery: the Pat Martino case report. *World Neurosurgery*, 81, 651.e1-651.e7.
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- Evans, S.J., Elliott, G., Reynders, H. & Isaac, C.L. (2014).** Can temporal lobe epilepsy surgery ameliorate long term accelerated forgetting? *Neuropsychologia*, 53, 64-74.
- Clemerson, G., Isaac, C.L. & Walsh, S. Towards living well with young onset dementia: an exploration of coping from the perspective of those diagnosed. *Dementia* (In press).
- Cooper, C.L., Hind, D., Parry, G.D., Isaac, C.L., Dimairo, M., O’Cathain, A., Rose, A., Freeman, J.V., Martin, L., Kaltenthaler, E.C., Thake, A. & Sharrack, B. (2011).** Computerised cognitive behavioural therapy for the treatment of depression in people with multiple sclerosis: external pilot trial, *Trials*, 12, 259-273
- Muhlert, N., Grünewald, R.A., Hunkin, N.M., Reuber, M., Howell, S., Reynders, H. & Isaac, C.L. (2011).** Accelerated long-term forgetting in temporal lobe but not idiopathic generalised epilepsy. *Neuropsychologia*, 49, 2417-2426.
- Holden, K. & Isaac C.L. (2011)** Depression in Multiple Sclerosis: Reactive or Endogenous? *The Clinical Neuropsychologist*, 25, 624-639.
- Ackroyd, K., Fortune, D.G., Price, S., Howell, S., Sharrack, B. & Isaac, C.L. (2011).** Adversarial growth in patient with multiple sclerosis and their partners: Relationships with illness perceptions, disability & distress. *Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings*. (in press, DOI: 10.1007/s10880-011-9265-0
- Briddon, E., Slade, P., Isaac, C. & Wrench, I. (2011).** How do memory processes relate to the development of posttraumatic stress symptoms following childbirth? *Journal of Anxiety Disorders*, 25, 1001-1007.
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- Kleyn, C.E., McKie, S., Ross, A.R., Montaldi, D., Gregory, L.J., Elliott, R., Isaac, C.L., Anderson, I.M., Richards, H.L., Deakin, J.F.W., Fortune, D.G. & Griffiths, C.E.M. (2009) Diminished Neural and Cognitive Responses to Facial Expressions of Disgust in Patients with Psoriasis: A Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Study.** *Journal of Investigative Dermatology*, 129, 2613-2619.
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- Thompson, R., Isaac, C., Rowse, G., Tooth, C. & Reuber, M. (2009).** What is it like to receive a diagnosis of non-epileptic seizures? *Epilepsy and Behaviour*, 14, 508-515.
- Hind, D. O’Cathain, A., Cooper, C., Parry, G., Isaac, C., Rose, A., Martin, L. & Sharrack, B. (2009).** The acceptability of computerised cognitive behavioural therapy software for the treatment of depression in people with chronic physical disease: a qualitative study of people with multiple sclerosis. *Psychology and Health*, 1476-8321.
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- Hall, K.E., Isaac, C.L., Harris, P. & Rowe, R. (2008).** Using illness representations to understand the nature of memory complaints in epilepsy. *Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society*, 14, Suppl.2, 71.
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