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PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Doctorate in Clinical Psychology **(DClinPsych)**

University of Surrey

2003

Bachelor of Science in Psychology (BSc **Hons)**

Manchester Metropolitan University

1994

TYPICAL AREAS OF INVOLVEMENT

Providing Expert Opinion to the Court, focusing on the provision of psychological assessments of adults and children in both civil and family proceedings.

Specialises in assessing and treating adults and children who are experiencing mental health difficulties.

Psychological treatment to both adults and children following personal injury civil cases.

Children with neurodevelopmental disorders, including those with ASD and ADHD and children who have experienced trauma and abuse.

Psychological assessment and treatment for young people with severe learning disabilities and autism.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Independent practice

2018 - Current

- Expert Witness assessments of adults and children for personal injury civil cases.
- Expert Witness assessments of adults and children including assessment of mental health, complex trauma and parenting capacity.
- Psychological treatment to adults and children following personal injury civil cases.
- Psychological treatment to adults and children for mental health difficulties.
- Psychological assessment and treatment for young people with severe learning disabilities and autism within a residential specialist school.

Highly Specialist Clinical Psychologist with Child and Young Peoples Services, Gloucestershire

2015 - 2018

- Expert Witness assessments of adults and children including assessment of mental health, complex trauma and parenting capacity.
- Specialist assessment of children with complex neurodevelopmental difficulties, including Autistic Spectrum Disorders and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder and mental health problems.

Highly Specialist Clinical Psychologist with Child and Young People's Services, Gloucestershire

2003 - 2015

- Assessment and treatment of children and young people with a range of mental health difficulties including PTSD and trauma.
- Specialist assessment of children with complex neurodevelopmental difficulties, including Autistic Spectrum Disorders and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder.

Trainee Clinical Psychologist, Surrey Oaklands NHS Trust

2000 - 2003

Assistant Psychologist, Adults with Learning Disabilities, South London and Maudsley NHS Trust.

1998 - 2000

CLINICS: Stoke, Birmingham & West Bromwich

SIGNIFICANT ADDITIONAL TRAINING

- Assessment and Management of Clinical Risk (1 day)
- Expert Witness Training (1 day)
- Story Stem Assessment Training (Anna Freud Centre) (3 days)
- Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule – Second (ADOS) Training (June 2016)
- Child Sexual Exploitation Training (July 2015)
- Trauma in Children and Adolescents (April 2012) University of Bath
- Child protection update (Nov 2011), In house training.
- Advanced Cognitive Behaviour Therapy for Depression, Anxiety and OCD (April 2009,) Oxford Cognitive Therapy Centre.
- Risk Assessment and Management in Mental Health (Nov 2010, one day), In House training.
- Attachment, Relationships and Brain Development (2006, 2 ½ days) In House training.
- Webster Stratton Parent Training Programme (April 2005, five days), Webster Stratton Parent Training Series.