



Curriculum Vitae

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I hold a Bachelor's degree in psychology and a Doctorate in Clinical Psychology from the University of Wales, Bangor. I am a Registered Clinical Psychologist with the Health Professions Council, Chartered with the British Psychological Society, and an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society.

From January 2001, I divided my professional time between clinical work as a Principal Clinical Psychologist with the Conwy and Denbighshire NHS Trust and my independent practice as a Consultant Psychologist. In October 2004, I left the NHS to concentrate full-time on developing my private practice, offering assessment (therapy, family court proceedings and medico-legal), therapy, consultation and training in a range of areas. Prior to this, I had been employed as a Clinical Psychologist by the Conwy and Denbighshire NHS Trust, from 1996, and as a Principal Clinical Psychologist with this Trust from April 1999. Gwynedd Health Authority employed me as a Clinical Psychologist from 1994 to 1996. I am an Honorary Lecturer on the Clinical Psychology Doctoral Training Course at the University of Wales, Bangor, lecturing and supervising students on this course taking post-graduate training in the specialist areas of Child Psychology and Expert Witness.

Over the past 15 years, I have conducted assessments and therapy with children, young people, and adults, and their families, referred for a wide range of physical, emotional and behavioural difficulties. I use Eye Movement Desensitisation and Reprocessing (EMDR – Practitioner Level) and cognitive behavioural therapy (CBT) in my therapy, according to the client's presenting needs. Since beginning my independent consultancy, I have supplied at least 150 reports to the Courts and attended at Court as an Expert Witness on at least 30 occasions. I have undertaken additional training in writing for the Courts and courtroom skills with the Bond Solon Legal Training Consultancy.

Education:

- University of Wales, Bangor, DCLinPsy (1994).
- University of Wales, Bangor, BA (Hons), Psychology (1990).

Professional & Academic Experience:

- Managing Director/Consultant Clinical Psychologist, Clerkin Psychology Services Ltd (2004 – present)
- Principal Clinical Psychologist, Ysbyty Glan Clwyd, Rhyl (2003 - 2004)
- Principal Clinical Psychologist, Maelor Children's Centre, Wrexham (1999 – 2003).
- Clinical Psychologist, Maelor Children's Centre, Wrexham (Paediatrics and Pre-school Service) and Flintshire Children's Psychological Care Service (1996 – 1999).
- Clinical Psychologist, CAMHS, Bangor, Gwynedd (1994 – 1996).
- Clinical Supervisor for Core Training Placement in Child Clinical Psychology, University of North Wales Clinical Psychology Training Course, Bangor (1996 – 2004).
- Clinical Supervisor for Core Training Placement in Child Clinical Psychology, University of Liverpool Clinical Psychology Training Course (2000).
- Lecturer for the North Wales Clinical Psychology Training Course (1995 – present).

Professional Organisations:

- Chartered Psychologist with the British Psychological Society.
- Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society
- Member of the BPS Division of Clinical Psychology
- Member of the DCP BPS Special Interest Group for Clinical Psychologists working with Children & Young People.
- Practitioner Member of the EMDR Association UK & Ireland