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PERSONAL PROFILE

I am a Highly Specialist Paediatric Clinical Psychologist registered with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) as a Practitioner (Clinical) Psychologist: registration number PYL33801. I have a background in child and adolescent mental health, specialising in paediatric neuropsychology, including perinatal brain injury and neurodevelopmental disorders. I work systemically to support children and young people, their families, and professionals involved in their care. I also provide regular consultation and training to multiagency professionals. I have completed the post-doctoral PGDip in Clinical Paediatric Neuropsychology at University College London. The programme meets the requirements of the Knowledge dimension of Training in Clinical Neuropsychology. I provide supervision to Trainee Clinical Psychologists, typically in their final year of training as an elective placement.

EMPLOYMENT

Associate - Highly Specialist Paediatric Clinical Psychologist

Rowley Clinical Neuropsychology Services Ltd, November 2022 – present

Highly Specialist Clinical Psychologist, Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, July 2022 – present.

- In my current role I have full responsibility for the assessment, treatment, and discharge of children and young people on the Intellectual Disability pathway and neurodevelopmental disorders assessment pathway; including management of referrals, the waiting lists, allocation of clients, work load of staff members, and decision about nature of service provided and point of discharge.

Specialist Clinical Psychologist, Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, October 2018 – June 2022.

Clinical Psychologist, Lincolnshire Partnership NHS Foundation Trust, December 2016 – October 2018.

Trainee Clinical Psychologist, Humber Teaching NHS Foundation Trust, September 2013 – September 2016.

- Working into older adult services, including memory clinic and residential services; adult community learning disability intensive support team; community adult mental health; looked after children child and adolescent mental health; and neurorehabilitation.
- Doctoral Thesis title: Illness Perceptions and Quality of Life in People Living with a Brain Tumour: Does Diagnostic Communication Have an Influence?

EDUCATION

PGDip Clinical Paediatric Neuropsychology – Merit, University College London, 2018 – 2020

Doctor of Clinical Psychology (ClinPsyD), University of Hull, 2013 – 2016

BSc Psychology – Upper Second Class (Hons), University of Hull, 2010 – 2013

FURTHER TRAINING

Positive Behaviour Support (PBS), Association for Psychological Therapies, 2021

Introductory Supervisor Training Workshop, Yorkshire three courses consortium, 2018 – 2019

Systemic Practice Foundation Level (equivalent training), University of Hull, 2013-2016

REFERENCES

References from Consultant Clinical Psychologist and other multidisciplinary colleagues can be supplied upon request.