



SPECIALISMS

Anxiety
Bereavement
Bipolar
Capacity
Custody
Depression
Drug/Alcohol/Substance Misuse
Mood Disorder
Personality Disorders
Psychosis
PTSD
Risk
Schizophrenia
Self Harm
Suicidal Ideation

CASE TYPES

Criminal
Family
Fitness to Plead
Personal Injury

Section 12 Approved (2) of the Mental Health Act

EXPERIENCE

I have worked at consultant level for the last 18 years and have considerable experience in the assessment and management of a **very broad range of psychiatric conditions**. In addition to my NHS work I regularly provide Expert Witness reports for a variety of legal settings.

My medicolegal experience dates back to my time as a trainee working in the Court Diversion Scheme based in Highbury Magistrates court, which would involve the assessment of patients and the same day preparation of court reports and the giving of evidence, if needed. I prepare reports and attend first tier Mental Health Tribunals on a weekly basis. I prepare on average 25 reports a year for Criminal/Family and Civil settings.

I've attended Bond Solan training in the preparation of medico-legal reports (2021). I've recently attended Royal college of Psychiatrists training in the preparation of medicolegal reports (December 2020).

Since my appointment as a consultant in 2004, I have prepared reports for:

Criminal Proceedings

Magistrates and Crown court cases, issues of fitness to plead and disposal.

Family Proceedings

Issues of diagnosis and prognosis, risk and capacity. Mainly through joint instructions.

Civil Proceedings

Mainly personal injury cases, assessing condition and prognosis.

Capacity

Capacity and Fitness to Plead.

Expertise

My cases have involved the diagnosis of a **full range of psychiatric conditions**, including **psychotic illness**, major **mood disorders**, **personality disorders**, **Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)**, and issues concerning the use of **illicit drugs and alcohol**.





CONSULTANT APPOINTMENTS

January 2011- Present

Inpatient Consultant psychiatrist, Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield, EN2 8JL

I currently manage a busy 15 bedded inpatient assessment ward based at Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield. We have a high turnover of patients with diverse and at times complex psychiatric needs.

In addition to my ward work:

- Chair the local Serious Incident Review Group.
- The local medical student tutor & a CASC examiner.
- I provide some clinical cover to the rehab ward on a weekly basis.
- I hold five clinical excellence awards.

January 2005-January 2011

Consultant for Enfield Home treatment team, Chase Farm Hospital, Enfield, EN2 8JL

I developed the newly formed Home Treatment Team and was the consultant for six years until the service reconfigured. During this period we were extremely successful at managing patients at home and reduced the hospital bed base significantly and safely.

April 2004-January 2005

Locum Consultant for Kensington and Chelsea assertive outreach team.

This was a part time post developing and leading a newly commissioned service, which involved appointing staff, developing policy and setting up a carer's group, as well as the clinical work for a small group of complex patients.

EDUCATION

July 1992

MBCHB , University of Manchester medical school. 1992

August 1997-August 2000

St Marys psychiatric rotation (London)

August 2000-February 2004

St Mary's Higher Training Programme (London)

MRCPsych June 2000

CCST adult Psychiatry February 2004

Section 12 (2) approval since December 2000

Diploma In Philosophy and ethics on mental health University of Warwick 2008



GENERAL PSYCHIATRY EXPERTISE

- I have considerable clinical expertise in the diagnosis, treatment, and the assessment of risk in Psychosis, Major mood disorders, Personality disorders, Anxiety and Post traumatic Stress disorders and issues related to illicit drug and alcohol use.
- I provide clinical cover to the local rehabilitation ward on a weekly basis.
- I am Chair of the local Serious Incident review group.
- I have been a member of the local drug and therapeutics committee.
- I'm an examiner for the Royal College of Psychiatrists (uk) clinical examinations
- I'm the local medical student Tutor.
- I'm an educational and clinical supervisor for foundation, core and higher trainees.
- I hold five clinical excellence awards.