

CURRICULUM VITAE FOR KIRSTY R. LOWE

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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

- I am Registered with the Health and Care Professions Council as a Clinical Psychologist and as a Forensic Psychologist (ref. PYL15678). I am a Chartered Psychologist, Chartered Scientist and Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society (ref. 84502).
- I am listed on the National Crime Agency, Specialist Operations Centre Expert Advisers database.
- I have over twenty-five years' experience assessing adults presenting with complex problems and, as an expert witness, in preparing and presenting written and oral evidence in family and criminal court proceedings.
- I assess cognitive/intellectual functioning, capacity to litigate, parenting risks, mental health, personality and personality disorders, affective conditions (e.g. anxiety disorders, depression, PTSD), emotional control and anger management, substance abuse, domestic abuse, coercive control, Autism Spectrum Disorders, ADHD, parental alienation, factitious or induced illness behaviour, denied or concealed pregnancies and suitability for psychological treatment and prognosis.
- Other areas of assessment include fitness to plead, malingering, suggestibility, risk of sexual and/or violent offending, sexual and physical abuse of children, internet offending inc. possession and distribution of child pornography, infanticide, terrorism offences, modern day slavery, 'honour based' violence and 'sovereign citizens'.
- I also assess capacity to consent to sexual relations, psychological harm and victims of crimes, including sexual and physical assault, rape, domestic violence and childhood sexual abuse.
- I pride myself in providing evidence based, objective reports and meeting deadlines.
- I have also completed the Bond Solon Court Room Skills and Cross Examination Skills training events.

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS	
2009	Registered Practitioner Psychologist , The Health and Care Professions Council.
2007	Chartered Scientist , The British Psychological Society.
2001	Associate Fellow of The British Psychological Society.
2000	Chartered Forensic Psychologist , The British Psychological Society.
1994	Chartered Clinical Psychologist , The British Psychological Society.
1993	M. Sc. Clinical Psychology , University of Newcastle upon Tyne.
1989	B. A. (Hons) Psychology , University of Reading.
PROFESSIONAL ROLES – Full Time	
2008 - present	Consultant Clinical & Forensic Psychologist/Director , Expert Psychologist UK and Psychology Solutions.
2005 - 2008	Lead/Consultant Clinical Forensic Psychologist , Dept. of Psychology, Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Trust, Teesside.
2001 - 2005	Consultant Clinical Forensic Psychologist , Kenneth Day Unit, Dept. of Psychological Therapies & Research. Northgate & Prudhoe NHS Trust, Morpeth.
1997 - 2001	Consultant Clinical Forensic Psychologist , Dept. of Psychological Therapies. The State Hospital, Carstairs, Lanarkshire.
1994 - 1997	Clinical Psychologist , Psychology Dept. Gogarburn Hospital, Edinburgh.
1993 - 1994	Clinical Psychologist , Psychology Dept. Lynebank Hospital, Fife.
1991 - 1993	Trainee Clinical Psychologist , University of Newcastle-upon-Tyne.
1990 - 1991	Assistant Psychologist , Psychology Dept. Ashworth Hospital, Merseyside.
1989 - 1990	Assistant Psychologist , States of Jersey Health and Social Services, Jersey.
PROFESSIONAL ROLES – Part Time	
2006 - 2008	Psycho-Social Support Team Advisor, Rapid Deployment Team. Red Cross/Foreign Commonwealth Office. Deployed twice to Zimbabwe.
2006 - 2008	Honorary Lecturer , Doctoral Programme in Clinical Psychology, University of Teesside.
2004 - 2005	Academic Tutor , Doctoral Programme in Clinical Psychology, University of Teesside.
2002	Consultant Clinical Forensic Psychologist , External Team reviewing Rampton Hospital's Learning Disability Service.
2001 - 2003	Honorary Lecturer , M. Sc. Forensic Psychology, Caledonian University, Glasgow.

Terms and Conditions

- Instructions with prior authority granted by the Legal Aid Agency (LAA) are charged at the LAA current rates for Expert Witness Psychologists, of £93 per hour for family court cases, and £107 per hour for criminal court cases.
- For other cases, my fees are £115 per hour.
- Travelling time is calculated at £40 per hour or pro rata, at 45p per mile.
- Cancellations of appointments, with less than 72 hours' notice, are charged for the preparation time already incurred.
- Cancellation of court attendance, with less than 72 hours' notice, will incur preparation time already incurred.
- Cancellation of court attendance, with less than 24 hours' notice, will also incur a half day attendance fee.
- Payment is required with 30 days from receipt of my invoice and report, unless otherwise agreed in advance. Late payments may incur interest in accordance with the Late Payment of Commercial Debts (Interest) Act 1988.
- Postal address can be supplied on request.
- Base Stockton on Tees