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Consultant Psychiatrist

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Professional memberships

GMC, 3549964

Royal college of psychiatrists, 12157

MDDUS, M196335

Qualifications

-MBBS - St Bartholomew's Hospital Medical College, 1991

-MRCPsych - Membership Royal College of Psychiatrist, 1996

-Consultant Psychiatrist - Appointed in the NHS 2003

-Recognised as having authority to implement section 12 of the Mental Health Act

-Fully accredited for Continuing Professional Development by the Royal College Psychiatrists.

-May 2018 NHS appointment via CQC as second opinion appointed doctor for the mental health act. (SOAD)

Clinical Experience:

25 years' experience practicing in general adult and old age psychiatry. I worked as a Consultant Psychiatrist in the NHS from 2003-2012 and since then in the independent sector.

I provide regular occupational health reports for the Police, and British Aerospace. I am a visiting consultant at Priory group and have a substantial independent outpatient clinical practice, (about 200 new patients per year).

Medico- legal Experience:

Cardiff University Bond Solon expert witness certificate for civil procedures.

Personal injury cases

Medical negligence cases - including catastrophic injury.

Capacity assessments and reports for testamentary capacity.

Crown court experience as an expert witness.

Instructions approximately joint: 10% claimant: 65%, defendant: 25%.

Areas of psychiatric expertise include: -

1) PTSD and other sequelae of physical or psychological trauma

25 years' experience of assessing and treating individuals who have experienced psychological trauma as a result of accidents, occupational exposure, illness, bereavement, childhood and adult sexual assault, asylum seekers including those trafficked and victims of torture. I continue to assess and treat them in my clinical practice.

2) Depression and other mood disorders.

25 years' experience of looking after individuals with depression and other mood disorders such as bipolar disorder both in inpatient and outpatient psychiatric settings

3) Medically unexplained physical symptoms (Somatoform Disorders).

I am experienced in the assessment and treatment of psychiatric illness in those with co-morbid physical health conditions including somatoform disorders and somatic symptom disorders. I provided liaison psychiatry services to general and community hospitals in my NHS old age consultant psychiatrist positions.

4) Brain injury.

In the Priory hospital in Bristol, I was the responsible clinician for individuals with long term neuropsychiatric conditions such as head injury, Huntingdon's disease and frontotemporal dementia. I have a special interest in memory disorders in older adults. I ran memory services in my NHS consultant posts. I continue to assess older adults with memory difficulties in my private practice. I am experienced in the identification, support, and treatment of individuals with a personality disorder/change including following brain injury or catastrophic experience.

5) Capacity assessments.

I have had a special interest in the assessment of capacity since I was the lead for the implementation of the Adults with Incapacity Act 2000. In Dumfries and Galloway in 2001. I have provided specialist capacity assessments to the court and tribunal services in relation to capacity to litigate, testamentary capacity, capacity to manage finance and affairs, capacity to refuse medical treatment and capacity to decide where to live.

6) Eating disorders

In the Priory hospital in Bristol between 2010 and 2018 I was the responsible clinical for individuals with eating disorders. I undertook extra specialist training at University College London.

7) Psychosis

I have looked after individuals with psychosis for over 25 years. In my current role as a second opinion approved doctor under the mental health act most of the assessments are of individuals with schizophrenia and other psychosis.