

# Dr Tina Cohen BA (Hons), MSc, PgDip Psychology, PsychD, CPsychol Consultant Clinical Psychologist





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Dr Tina Siobhan Cohen is a Clinical Psychologist specialising in the neuropsychological assessment of adults with mild, moderate and severe brain injury. She has extensive experience in working with people in prolonged disorders of consciousness neurodegeneration including dementia and stroke. She currently works for the Neuro- rehabilitation Service at the Queen Elizabeth Foundation as well as for Headway East London. She is responsible for the assessment, management and therapy of the sometimes devastating emotional, behavioural and psychosocial sequelae of acquired brain injury. Dr Cohen is experienced in working with the families and carers of those with brain injury.

#### **COURT EXPERTISE**

- Dr Cohen specialises in neuropsychological and capacity assessments for litigation purposes,
- She undertakes assessments of acquired or traumatic brain injury, treatment and rehabilitation.
- Her expertise encompasses partially or minimally conscious individuals in a vegetative state and their potential for recovery.
- She regularly reports on an individual's mental capacity and fitness to plead in court.
- She has a comprehensive knowledge of neurodegenerative disorders and dementia.
- She offers neuropsychological rehabilitation and intervention including EMDR.

## **WORK HISTORY**

## 09/2017 Queen Elizabeth Foundation Neuro Rehabilitation Service

Specialist Clinical Psychologist
Specialising in neuropsychologic

Specialising in neuropsychological and psychological assessment and therapy for patients with mild, moderate and severe brain injury, behavioural interventions, mood monitoring and capacity assessments. Taking instruction from solicitors and working with case managers in neuropsychological assessment, rehabilitation and management.

## 2016 – Pres Headway East London

Clinical Psychologist specialising in Neuropsychology

Neuropsychological assessment following traumatic brain injury and therapeutic intervention for brain injury (including CBT, MI and cognitive strategy work)

## 2016 – Pres Clinical Psychologist Independent practitioner

Specialising in neuropsychological assessment for private injury claims and neuropsychological therapy.



## 2015 – Pres The Royal Hospital for Neurodisability, Putney Clinical Psychologist

Cognitive and clinical assessment of patients within Disorders of Consciousness (Minimally Conscious State (MCS) and Vegetative State (VS)), as well as those emerging from post - traumatic amnesiac conditions, severe Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) and with severe and enduring cognitive difficulties. All clients are complex and range in age across the adult and older adult lifespan.

#### 2014 – 15 Surrey and Borders NHS Trust

## **Highly Specialist Clinical Psychologist**

Sole Clinical Psychologist managing the Stroke Pathway for East Surrey. Role included (but was not limited to) mood assessment, intervention and management, neuropsychological assessment and report writing, psychological therapy, Mental Capacity Assessments, behavioural interventions, family therapy, psycho-education, liaison with GPs, neurologists and other professionals outside of the service, MDT within the stroke pathway. The role covered acute stroke assessment and input to consultant-led stroke specialist teams, as well as longer-term therapy and consultation to stroke survivors and their carers.

## 2013 – 14 South West London and St Georges NHS Trust

## **Specialist Clinical Psychologist**

Solely responsible for memory assessments for various dementias, Parkinson's and mild cognitive impairments, differential diagnosis with depression, dementia, anxiety, PTSD, learning disability. Assessment for and supervision of Cognitive Stimulation Groups (CST) and functional therapy. Training and supervision of trainee clinical psychologists (neuropsychological and CST) including attendance at Mid-Placement reviews and contribution to trainee contracts and feedback.

## 2012 – 12 Surrey and Sussex NHS Trusts, UK

## **Clinical Psychologist Trainee**

Clinical neuropsychology specialism post using Biopsychosocial model (incorporating CBT, systemic, psychodynamic and behavioural models):

- community neuropsychological adult and older adult assessment team
- community neuropsychological rehabilitation team
- acute stroke inpatient unit
- post-acute stroke inpatient unit

## 2011 – 12 Sussex NHS Trust, UK

## **Clinical Psychologist Trainee**

Integrative use of person-centered therapy, CBT, CAT and psychodynamic models Adults and older adults aged 45-95
Specialism within three dementia inpatient units

## 2009 – 10 Surrey and Borders NHS Trust, UK

### **Clinical Psychologist Trainee**

Assessment and treatment of adults aged 18-70 with a variety of complex presenting problems (including PTSD and emerging personality disorders). Clinical and neuropsychological assessment

## 2008 – 09 East London NHS Foundation Trust, UK

#### **Psychological assistant and Teacher**

Behavioural and cognitive models Inpatient adolescent psychiatric unit



## **PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

Current	University of Bristol Post Graduate Diploma in Clinical N	Bristol, UK Jeuropsychology
2009 – 12	University of Surrey Clinical Psychology Doctorate	Surrey, UK
2008 – 09	University of East London Psychology Conversion Diploma (1st	London, UK <sup>it</sup> Class)
2005 – 06	University of East London Graduate Teaching Diploma	London, UK
2002 – 04	London School of Economics MSc Social Sciences (1st Class)	London, UK
1998 – 01	University of the Witwatersrand, JI BA and BA (Hons) Psychology and S	•

## **SPECIALIST TRAINING ABBREVIATED**

- Completion of level 1 Narrative Therapy Training
- Schema therapy training
- Mindfulness therapy
- CBT for depression
- Dementia Conference
- Learning Disabilities and Dementia
- Brain Injury navigation