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Dr Siddaway works with children, adolescents, and adults and particularly specialises in assessing and treating psychological problems related to trauma and stressful life events, and risk assessment and management for suicide and non-suicidal self-injury (self-harm). He has worked in a range of NHS mental health services for over eleven years, including specialist psychological trauma services for the past four years. Dr Siddaway currently splits his week between an NHS specialist psychological trauma service, expert witness assessments, private psychological therapy, and conducting and supervising research. He has a professional doctorate in Clinical Psychology and a Psychology PhD that particularly focused on psychometrics (measurement and assessment). Dr Siddaway's doctorates and extensive clinical experience and training means that he brings a depth and breadth of knowledge of psychological science and psychometrics to expert witness work.

EXPERT WITNESS EXPERTISE

- **Psychological problems related to trauma and stressful life events** (e.g. adverse childhood experiences; neglect; abuse; domestic abuse and violence; bereavement; human trafficking; injuries and accidents; immigration; chronic medical conditions).
- Parenting competence, family functioning, attachment, childcare proceedings, risk to children.
- Psychological assessment, formulation, and **diagnosis of psychiatric disorders and personality disorders** via individualised clinical interviews and gold standard semi-structured diagnostic interviews.
- **Theory and evidence-based risk assessment and management** (e.g., suicide attempts, non-suicidal self-injury, sexual recidivism, domestic violence), including capacity and motivation to change, offence-related protective factors, and recommendations for management/treatment.
- **Assessment of learning disability (eligibility assessment).**
- **Faking good or bad** (malingering or feigning of psychological/psychiatric problems).
- Individual formulations of problems and suitability for psychological treatment.

FAMILY LAW EXPERTISE

- Specialist training and experience across all aspects of parental capacity and risk including neglect, emotional harm, violence, domestic violence, sexual violence and abuse.
- Highly specialised assessment and treatment for trauma-related and other psychological problems in children, adolescents, and adults.

- Highly specialised direct and indirect psychological assessment and interventions for traumatically bereaved children, adolescents, and families.
- Assessment of parenting and child and parent attachment.
- Risk assessment and management for suicide, non-suicidal self-injury (self-harm), and other self-defeating behaviours.

CIVIL LAW EXPERTISE

- Psychological problems related to trauma and stressful life events (e.g. adverse childhood experiences, neglect, abuse, domestic abuse and violence, bereavement, human trafficking, injuries and accidents, immigration and chronic medical conditions).
- He has worked for the civil courts undertaking assessments of the impact of personal injury, the psychological effect of medical negligence and work-related difficulties.
- Highly specialised assessment and interventions for trauma-related psychological problems in a range of adult populations (e.g. homeless people, asylum seekers, major incidents, victims of sexual assault).

WORK HISTORY

2017 Chartered Clinical Psychologist, Independent and Expert Witness

- Highly specialised assessment and treatment of a broad range of psychological problems in children, adolescents, and adults.
- Expert witness assessments (see areas covered above).

2016 Principal Clinical Psychologist, Adult Psychological Trauma Service

- Highly specialised assessment, formulation, and interventions for trauma-related psychological problems in a range of adult populations (e.g. homeless people; asylum seekers; people involved in major incidents; people who have experienced physical, sexual, and emotional abuse, neglect, violence, or torture; war veterans).
- Consultation and liaison with other professionals.
- Training and consultancy to other professionals on a range of trauma-related psychological problems and issues.

2014 – 16 Principal Clinical Psychologist, Adult in and outpatient rehabilitation

- Introduced and led a psychology service for adult amputees.
- Highly specialised direct and indirect psychological assessment and interventions.
- Consultation, training, and supervision to other professionals.

2012 – 13 Clinical Psychologist in Training, Child Bereavement Service

- Highly specialised direct and indirect psychological assessment and interventions for traumatically bereaved children, adolescents, and families.
- Consultation and training to other professionals.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- 2017 PhD in Clinical Psychology, University of Stirling
- 2013 Doctorate in Clinical Psychology, University of Hertfordshire
- 2007 Diploma in Cognitive Behavioural Therapy, Open College, Birmingham
- 2004 B. Sc (Hons) Psychology, School of Psychology, University of Leicester

SPECIALIST TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- 2019 Competency based feedback and problem resolution in supervision
- 2018 Psychology Specialist Supervision Course, NHS Education for Scotland
- 2016 Introduction to CBT Supervision, Oxford Cognitive Therapy Centre
- 2015 General Supervision Competencies, NHS Education for Scotland
- 2015 Specialist Supervision Training in CBT, NHS Education for Scotland

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- Siddaway, A. P.** (in press). Adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) research: Commonalities with similar, arguably identical literatures and the need for integration. *British Journal of Psychiatry*.
- Kuppens, S., Moore, S. C., Gross, V., Lowthian, E., & **Siddaway, A. P.** (in press). The enduring effects of parental alcohol, tobacco, and drug use on child wellbeing: A multi-level meta-analysis. *Development and Psychopathology*.
- Siddaway, A. P.**, Wood, A. M., O'Carroll, R. E., & O'Connor, R. C. (in submission). Characterizing Self-Injurious Cognitions: Development and Validation of the Suicide Attempt Beliefs Scale (SABS) and the Nonsuicidal Self-Injury Beliefs Scale (NSIBS).
- Siddaway, A. P.**, Wood, A. M., Schulz, J., & Trickey, D. (2015). Evaluation of the CHUMS child bereavement group programme: A pilot study examining statistical and clinical change. *Death Studies*, 39, 99-110.
- Trickey, D., **Siddaway, A. P.**, Meiser-Steadman, R., Serpell, L., & Field, A. P., (2012). A meta-analysis of risk factors for posttraumatic stress disorder in children and adolescents. *Clinical Psychology Review*, 32, 122-138.