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Dr Dernevik has worked as a Clinical and Forensic psychologist for 30 years encompassing forensic mental health services, prison services, academic combining clinical with research and academic lectureships. He currently works as Consultant Psychologist in the private healthcare sector, as a visiting research fellow at Lincoln University and independent expert.

His specialist clinical and research interests include offending and mental disorder, clinical risk assessment and management, mental capacity and suggestibility, particularly in vulnerable adults. He has also worked extensively with mental health disorders, addictions and severe and enduring personality disorder. He has worked extensively as an expert witness for the Family Courts, Criminal Courts, probation boards and Mental Health Review Tribunals. He has also been a consultant for refugee and immigration services and gender identity issues in Sweden.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Assessments of parental capacity and risk including mental
- Specialist assessments of adult attachment using the Adult Attachment Interview (AAI).
- Assessments of the risk of sexual harm and a parents' capacity to act protectively.
- Domestic abuse and violence
- Physical, emotional or sexual abuse and neglect
- Drugs and alcohol misuse & addiction including Steroid Use
- Mental health assessments including depression, anxiety, trauma and
- Specialist risk assessments of violence, sexual violence and sexual offending, domestic violence, arson, hate and ideological crime and terrorism.
- Assessments of personality disorders and psychopathy
- Mental capacity to instruct and fitness to plead, suggestibility and false testimony
- Treatment issues in forensic psychiatry, prison and probation services identifying treatment pathways and capacity for change.
- Trauma and PTSD in asylum seekers and immigration issues, particularly refugees of war
- Adults with neurodevelopmental difficulties including autism, brain injury and cognitive impairment
- Gender identity and gender change

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WORK HISTORY

2017-Pres	Consultant Psychologist St George's Healthcare/ Elysium Healthcare
2016	Clinical Lead R&D, Huntercombe Group
2013-16	Head of Therapies Huntercombe Mental Health in the Midlands
2010-12	Consultant Psychologist Lighthouse Healthcare Group
2010-Pres	Visiting Research Fellow, Lincoln University
2007-11	Consultant Psychologist and Head of Research to Swedish Regional Prison and Probation Services (part time)
2003-10	Research Coordinator, Centre for Violence Prevention, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm
2003-10	Head of Research and Development, Regional Forensic Psychiatric Unit, Vadstena Sweden
2001-02	Consultant to DSPD project Rampton Hospital (HMP Whitemoor project)
1993-03	Consultant Psychologist, Regional Forensic Psychiatric Unit, Vadstena Sweden
1998-01	Consultant Psychologist, Early Intervention Unit Linkoping university hospital, including gender identity and national gender change program, Sweden
1995-98	Director of Studies in Psychology, Linkoping University
1993-95	Consultant Psychologist in refugee and migration psychiatry, Sweden
1991-93	Clinical Psychologist in learning disabilities, Wearside Priority Trust.
1981-91	Clinical Psychologist for Children and Families and Special Education, Sweden

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

2016	EuroPsy
2009	AFBPsS
2008	Chartered Scientist, Science Council UK
2004	PhD Karolinska Institutet Stockholm
1995	Chartered Forensic Psychologist BPS
1991	Chartered Clinical Psychologist BPS
1991	Approved Behaviour Therapist, BTF Sweden
1984	Certified Psychologist Sweden
1982	M.Sc. Applied Psychology Uppsala University
1977	B.Sc. Psychology Uppsala University

SPECIALIST TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

2017-present	Approved Clinician (MHA)
2015 -present	Division of Forensic Psychology Training Committee
2018	British Sign Language, Level 1

PUBLICATIONS

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- Dernevik, M.** & Bragner, J. (2007). *Probabilities and consequences; Factors in risk management decisions*. Submitted manuscript, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm.
- Dernevik, M.** & Levin, S. (2007). Accuracy of risk predictions in an ecological setting. Manuscript, Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm.
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- Dernevik, M.**, Beck, A., Grann, M., Hogue, T., & McGuire, J. (2009). A response to Dr Gudjonsson *Journal of forensic psychiatry and psychology*.
- Hiscoke, U.L., Buxrud, P., **Dernevik, M.**, Haggård-Grann, U., Långström, N., & Grann, M. (2010). Recidivism risk

management in forensic psychiatric after-care: A prospective follow-up of the new SORM model. Manuscript. Karolinska Institutet, Stockholm.'

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