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Professional Summary

Dr Coll graduated from the Medical School of the Universitat Autònoma of Barcelona (Spain) in June 1990, when he came to England and trained in Psychiatry at the Oxford Training Scheme until February 1996. This involved placements in the Department of Psychiatry of the University of Oxford (including the Park Hospital for Children), where he gained experience in Child Protection cases and Court work. The Higher Training in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry expanded his experience in Paediatric Liaison, Learning Disabilities, Development and Child Protection, as well as undertaking joint work with Social Services and Youth Justice (Offending) Teams.

In February 2002 Dr Coll was awarded a distinction of Excellent Cum Laude for his Ph.D. Thesis, entitled "The relationship between deliberate self-harm and child abuse". In addition, he has published over twenty articles in peer-reviewed journals, and eight chapters in books on self-harm, child abuse, depression, psychosis, behaviour problems, ADHD, transcultural aspects of mental health, teaching and communication skills. He has just co-edited a book on Consultation Skills in Mental Health Care, published by Radcliffe (ISBN 978-184619-516-7). In February 1999 he started working as a Consultant Psychiatrist at the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service in Norwich, where he serves in the Norfolk Family Justice Board.

In September 2000, He was appointed as an Honorary Senior Lecturer in the School of Medicine of the University of East Anglia, where he teaches Mental Health, Communication (Consultation) Skills, and Advanced Practice in Evidence-Based Court Decision Making.

Specialist Areas of Expertise

LEARNING DISABILITIES CHILD PSYCHIATRY YOUTH JUSTICE DEVELOPMENT AND CHILD PROTECTION SOCIAL SERVICES
PAEDIATRIC LIAISON ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRY

Professional Education and Qualifications

2002: PhD, Children and Adolescents Families, Medical Psychiatry

1995: MRCPsych

1990: MB BS Hons, Universitat Autònoma of Barcelona

Professional Employment

1999 – Present: Consultant in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Senior Lecturer (Hon) in Psychiatry – Norwich Medical School, University of East Anglia

1998 – 1999: Senior Registrar in Community Adolescent Psychiatry – Brookvale Adolescent University Mental Health Service, Southampton

1997 – 1998: Senior Registrar in Child Psychiatry and Paediatric Liaison, Bursledon House Children's Unit, Southampton University Hospitals NHS Trust

Areas of Particular Expertise/Specialisms:

VOLUME OF WORK PER YEAR:

Personal Injury, complex cases (25)

Clinical Negligence (5)

Child Protection (abuse), Child Custody, Child Care, Contact Arrangements (10)

Divorce and Separation, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder and Bereavement (10)

Diagnosis and Needs Assessment (50+)

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Experience in Specialisms and Forensic Experience:

- 2000 – Present: Senior Lecturer (Hon), School of Medicine, UEA, Norwich
1999 – Present: Consultant Psychiatrist with Medico-Legal and report writing training responsibility (I organise and run courses) for other Consultants and trainees
1995 – Present: Forensic Experience - Children Act reports and Medico-Legal
1996 – 1999: Senior Registrar in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry - Southampton
1994 – 1996: Warneford and Park Hospitals, Oxford University

Literature, Research and Training

Relevant texts

- 25 articles in peer-reviewed journals on abuse; deliberate self-harm; infant observation; depression; behavioural problems in children; racial and cultural issues in mental health; separation anxiety; and obsessive compulsive disorder. Between 1994 to date.
- 10 book chapters in subjects as in the articles.
- 1 Communication Skills in Mental Health book edited.

Relevant research

- The relationship between child abuse and deliberate self-harm – Ph.D. Thesis 1994-2002
- Audit of outcomes and satisfaction in a young child clinic – 1996 to 2001
- Co-editor of a textbook in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in Spanish (ongoing)
- Audit of Deliberate self-poisoning episodes in Children and Adolescents in Norfolk (2001 to date)
- Early Intervention in Psychosis

Teaching

- Extensive teaching at the Norwich Medical School (Honorary Senior Lecturer)
- Teaching Health, Education, and Social Services personnel on Mental Health, Medico-legal and Court, Personal Injury, and effects of trauma
- Clinical and Education Supervisor for Higher Trainees in Psychiatry in Norfolk
- Elected Member of the Higher Education Academy since 2000.
- Teach in MA in Court Skills at the University of East Anglia
- Organise medico-legal and report writing courses for trainees in the eastern region

Relevant training

- Member of the Royal College of Psychiatrists 1995 to date
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy at Oxford University – 1994-1998
- Diploma in Cognitive Therapy, NLP and Hypnotherapy -- 1996 to 1999
- 25+ attendances (also delivering papers) on international conferences on abuse and child care and the courts, and Child Psychiatry and the Law – From 1995
- Child Psychiatry training at the Park Hospital for children in Oxford, under the supervision of Dr. David Jones, Consultant Psychiatrist.
- Member (representing Health) of the Norfolk's Family Justice Council and Medico-Legal Committee based at Norwich Combined Courts, since May 1999.
- Attend regular Expert Witness training since 1999 (RSM, Bond Solon, Premex)