

# Dr Sonia Nagi B.Sc., D.Clin.Psych., Chartered Clinical Psychologist





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Dr Sonia Nagi is a clinical psychologist with extensive experience in forensic, adult mental health and learning disability, working clinically for over 18 years in both in-patient and community services. She has a specialist interest in working with people with personality disorder and deliberate self-harm and dissociative disorder. Her most recent post, for 13 years, was in a mental health community rehabilitation unit running a psychological assessment and therapy service providing assessment and treatment to those with difficulties such as complex challenging behaviour, mental health and forensic issues. She also works independently as an expert witness for the Family, Criminal and Civil courts.

## FAMILY LAW EXPERTISE

- Specialist risk assessments of parents in pre-proceedings and for the Family Courts including violent and sexual risk.
- Parents with complex mental health and personality difficulties and the impact on parenting
- Adults and adolescents with autistic spectrum disorders (ASD) and neurodevelopmental disorders.

## **CIVIL LAW EXPERTISE**

- Assessment of trauma and PTSD in immigration cases and personal injury
- Diagnostic assessments of developmental trauma, trauma and PTSD
- Neuropsychological assessments of learning difficulties, brain injury and dementia and comorbid mental health problems
- Mental Capacity and Fitness to Plead assessments

## **THERAPEUTIC EXPERTISE**

- Specialises in working with adults and young people with an array of mental health and personality problems, self-harming behaviour and dissociative disorders
- Experience working with people who have transgender issues or gender dysphoria
- Qualified trauma and EMDR specialist.



#### **WORK HISTORY**

- 2001 Pres Chartered Clinical Psychologist Private Practice
- 2004 17Chartered Clinical Psychologist Inpatient Unit Consultant The Lane Project (psychiatric<br/>inpatient rehabilitation unit / step down facility for low secure)
- 2002 11 Band 8b Grade South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS trust
- 1999 04 Band 7 Grade South London and Maudsley NHS trust
- 1998 00 Deputy Chairman / Board of Directors Drug Concern Croydon

#### **PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

- **1996 99** Doctorate in Clinical Psychology, School of Human Sciences, Surrey University
- **1989 92** BSc Psychological Sciences, Upper Second, University of East London

#### SPECIALIST TRAINING AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Presented at and regularly attended the CBT Forum Internal
- Lecture on CBT for Borderline Personality Disorder Aaron T. Beck
- 2-day workshop in Schema Focused Therapy Dr Jeff Young
- Advanced Cognitive Therapy with Personality Disorders Dr Christine Padesky
- Neuropsychiatry in Forensic Populations Broadmoor
- Developing awareness in cross cultural differences in mental health Internal
- Using interpreter services when working with refugees Internal
- Training in risk assessment Internal
- Introduction to the Mental Health Act Internal
- Clinical supervisor's training workshop Salomon's Training Centre (South East Thames Clinical training course)
- 3-day teaching course on Mentalisation Based Therapy for Personality Disorders taught by Professor Anthony Bateman and Peter Fonagy at the Anna Freud Centre
- Annual 4-day international conference held by the International Neuropsychological Society in Bilbao