

#### Curriculum Vitae

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# Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist Consultant Clinical Psychologist (HCPC registered)

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# Areas of Expertise (Adults and Older Adults)

# Clinical Neuropsychology (Assessment of Brain Functioning)

Neuropsychological assessment of brain functioning following head injury, brain injury, post concussive states, neurological disease (e.g. Multiple Sclerosis, Parkinson's Disease, HIV), Dementia (e.g., Alzheimer's Disease, Vascular Dementia, Fronto-Temporal Dementia), Stroke, drug, alcohol & solvent abuse, poisoning and other cerebral assaults/injuries. Assessment of: malingering, mental capacity, fitness to plead, fitness to work, criminal responsibility, educational assessments and special needs.

Please note: I am also able to carry out Neuropsychological Assessments in Punjabi.

# Psychiatric/Psychological Injury (PTSD, Adjustment Disorders, Depression and Anxiety and other psychiatric diagnoses)

Assessment and diagnoses of psychological/psychiatric injury resulting from various traumatic events including RTA, assault, sexual assault, domestic violence, industrial accident, war, torture, bullying and harassment, occupational stress, psychological aspects of physical injury/disfigurement, medical negligence, disasters and other traumatic events.

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#### Psychometric Testing

Assessment of intelligence (I.Q.), memory testing and other cognitive functioning in the areas of Learning Disability, general adult and older adult populations.

#### Family Work

Assessment of intellect, memory functioning and insight/capacity, from a Neuropsychological perspective, of adults and older adults.

Please note: I am not able to comment on parenting ability or child care issues

#### Treatment (brain injury/disorder and adult psychiatric disorder)

Cognitive Rehabilitation and adjustment to chronic health conditions. vocational rehabilitation, guidance and training following head injury, stroke, MS and other brain dysfunction.

Neurorehabilitation of memory, executive and other cognitive and emotional problems following head injury and post concussive states.

Psychological therapy, including CBT, for adjustment to head injury and other brain disorders for patients and their partners/carers.

Psychological treatment, including cognitive behavioural therapy, in the areas of adult mental health difficulties (anxiety, depression, PTSD etc).

I have developed internationally recognised cognitive therapy treatments for trauma and have particular expertise in the treatment of PTSD and related adjustment disorders/trauma reactions.

Psychological treatment, including CBT, of psychiatric disorder following health related problems.

This list is not exhaustive. Please contact me directly to discuss any relevant cases.

#### Expert witness experience

I have acted as an expert witness since 1996 and have provided in excess of 1000 reports to Solicitors, C.P.S., C.I.C.A., Trade Unions, employers, insurance companies and other parties including individual contracts with NHS trusts. These are approximately:

Psychiatric diagnoses (eg, PTSD, Adjustment Disorders, Depression and	25 %	
Anxiety) following traumatic events/personal injury/medical negligence		
Clinical Neuropsychology (assessment of head injury and other brain	75 %	
functioning)		
Joint single expert	5 %	
Defendant work	45%	
Claimant work	50%	

Full details of terms and conditions are available on request

I have also received regular Bond Solon Expert Witness and Court Skills Training. I have also been cross examined in Court and Tribunals including the Royal Courts of Justice.



### Career Summary

Sept 2009 - Clinical Director Psychology Chambers Ltd

Clinical Neuropsychology and Clinical psychology Private Practice

April 2009 – Sept 2009 Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist.

East London NHS foundation Trust.

Head of Neuropsychology for Diagnostic Assessment Services.

Sept 2005–April 2009 Senior Clinical Lecturer in Clinical Psychology and Clinical

Neuropsychology, Bristol Doctorate in Clinical Psychology Course Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist, Epsom and St. Helier NHS trust

Honorary Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist, Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health

Partnership NHS trust

Feb 2004–Sept 2005 Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist Salford Royal Hospitals

NHS Trust

Greater Manchester Lead for Neuropsychology Services for Neurology

Nov 2001-Jan 2004 Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist. Halton PCT (half-time) Head of North Cheshire

Neuropsychology Services

University Clinical Teacher. University of Liverpool (half-time)

Head of Admissions and examinations. Department of Clinical Psychology

Sept 1996-Oct 2001 Clinical Neuropsychologist. North Manchester General Hospital

Head of Neuropsychology and PTSD service

Sept 1993-Sept 1996 Trainee Clinical Psychologist. South Manchester University

Hospitals Trust

## Qualifications and Registration

Associate Fellow of British Psychological Society (AFBPsS.)

Chartered Psychologist of the British Psychological Society. (C. Psychol.)

Bachelor of Science in Psychology (University of Plymouth (BSc (Hons))

Doctor of Clinical Psychology. University of Manchester (Clin.Psy.D.)

Chartered Clinical Psychologist (HCPC Registered)

Registered expert witness of British Psychological Society

Full member of Division of Clinical Psychology of British Psychological Society (DCP)

Listed on the Specialist Register of Clinical Neuropsychologists of the Division of Neuropsychology (SRCN)



#### Professional Affiliations

Member of International Neuropsychological Society

Member of National Academy of Neuropsychology

Member of American Academy of Clinical Neuropsychology

Member of the British Association for Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapies

Member of the International Society for Traumatic Stress Studies

Member of the Association for Scientific Advancement in Psychological Injury and Law

Member of the British Psychological Society register of expert witnesses

Registered Expert with Expert Search

Registered with Expertwitness.co.uk

Registered with UK Register of Expert Witnesses

Registered with National Expert Witness Agency

Expert Member APIL

Sweet and Maxwell approved Expert

#### Medico Legal Agencies

I am registered with a number of medico legal agencies including: Premex+, Premex, Mobile Doctors and several others.

#### Recent and pending publications

Van den Broek, M., Sembi, S., Norris, W., & Tavares, N. Brain Injury Claims. Sweet and Maxwell. (Expected publication date 2018)

Snowden, Austin, N., Sembi, S., ., Thompson, J., Craufurd. D & Neary, D. Emotion recognition in Huntington's disease and fontotemporal dementia. Neuropsychologia 2008 46: 2638-2649

Scott, M. & Sembi, S. Cognitive behavioural treatment in practice: The neglected role of diagnostic accuracy. Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapy. 2006 34: 491-497

Wells, A., & Sembi, S. Treating PTSD with metacognitive focused therapy: A core treatment manual. 2005. Cognitive and Behavioural Practice. 2004 11: 365-377

Wells, A., & Sembi, S. Metacognitive focused therapy for PTSD: Effectiveness of a new treatment approach. Journal of Behavior Therapy and Experimental Psychiatry. 2004 35: 307-318

Samson, M., Kinderman, P., Watts, S., & Sembi, S. Psychopathology and autobiographical memory in stroke and non-stroke hospitalized patients. International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry. 2003 18: 23-32

Scott, M., & **Sembi, S**. Unreliable assessment in civil litigation. The Psychologist 2002; 15: 80-81. (http://www.bps.org.uk/\_publicationfiles/thepsychologist%5Cscott.pdf)

Sembi, S., Tarrier, N., O'Neill, P., Burns, A., & Faragher, B. Does Post Traumatic Stress Disorder exist after Stroke. International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry 1998; 13: 315-322

(Full list of papers and abstracts published in learned journals and conference presentations to learned societies is available on request)



Recent and past clients

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Gordons Solicitors	Peasegoods Solicitors, Manchester.	Tameside Borough council	
Ward and Rider Solicitors	Towns Needham and Co. Solicitors,	Pennine Acute Hospitals NHS trust (Private	
McMillan Williams Solicitors	Manchseter	contract for clinical services)	
Stephensons LLP Manchester	Lyster and Co. Solicitors, Dublin	Rochdale PCT (Private contract for clinical	
Knight Polson Solicitors, Eastleigh	Dingle Wright Solicitors, Wirral	services)	
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Jobling Gowler. Solicitors, Macclesfield	Amicus North West	Weightmans Solicitors	
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	BUPA.	Kennedys Law, London	
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	DAC Beachcroft Solicitors	Pierre Thomas and Partners , London	
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