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Education, Training and Qualifications:

11.2010 - 02.2015	Cardiff University Bond Solon Expert Witness Certificates (Civil and Criminal).
09.2011 - 01.2014	Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (research on symptom validity), *University of Essex, Essex*.
07.2007 - 03.2011	Qualification in Clinical Neuropsychology (previously named Practitioner Full Member Qualification), Division of Neuropsychology, British Psychological Society (BPS).
09.2008 - 07.2010	Post-Doctoral Diploma in Clinical Neuropsychology, *Glasgow University, Glasgow*.
10.2005 - 11.2007	Statement of Equivalence Programme (BPS). *UCL, London*.
08.2001 - 02.2003	Psychologist Certification (equivalent to British Chartership), *Padua University, Padua, Italy*.
09.1996 - 07.2001	Laurea in Clinical Psychology, Neuropsychology and Research, *Padua University, Padua, Italy,* Final Mark 110/110 with laudem.

Independent Practice:

2009 – Current: Monaci Consultancy Ltd established.

2009 – Current: **Expert Witness:** I have provided assessment reports for adults and older adults on neuropsychological issues for court proceedings. **Claimant** 60-70%; **Defendant** 40-30%[1].

Therapy: Neuro-rehabilitation

Areas of Expertise: Assessment of cognitive and emotional functioning, using psychometric and neuro-psychological objective assessments and by clinical interview. Areas assessed include:

- Acquired brain injury and neurodegenerative conditions
- Daily adaptive/social functioning
- Mental capacity
- Cognitive and intellectual functioning (e.g. IQ, memory)
- Executive functioning (i.e. adaptive behaviour, abstract thinking, mental flexibility, problem solving, planning, initiation, personality, especially drive, motivation, inhibition, and social behaviour)
- Symptom Validity Assessment / Malingering

[1] In April 2024, Dr Monaci calculated that in the previous 12 months, the split was divided as follows: 58% Claimant, 37% Defendant and 5% jointly instructed. In April 2025, Dr Monaci calculated that, in the previous 12 months, the split was as follows: 73% Claimant, 24% Defendant, and 3% jointly instructed. In April 2026, Dr Monaci calculated the split as follows: 65% Claimants and 35% Defendant.

Posts

11.11.2011 - 01.2017 **Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist**
Surrey and Borders Partnership NHS Trust

- Providing a high-quality neuropsychological assessment and advice service for adults of working age (and later older adults) who have, or were suspected of having an acquired impairment of the brain and were affected by severe and enduring mental health problems;
- Providing consultation, training and Trust-wide guidelines on neuropsychological aspects of severe and enduring mental health clinical conditions to Clinical and Counselling Psychologists across Surrey; MDT working on specific patients across outpatient and inpatient settings;
- Carrying out short outpatient neurorehabilitation intervention;
- Carrying out Mental Capacity Assessments;
- Carrying out diagnostic memory assessments to aid the dementia diagnosis process.

11.2011 - 12.2013 **Honorary Consultant Clinical Neuropsychologist**
St Georges Trust, Regional neuroscience centre

- Being involved in a research project aimed at validating a British symptom validity questionnaire comparing its sensitivity and specificity with a performance validity test in chronic pain (outpatient and inpatient);
- Supervising the Assistant Psychologists involved and taking part in the direct clinical data collection, as well as managing the Trust Ethical and Research authorisation;
- Reviewing and collating the results ahead of research team meetings.

02.2007 - 10.2011 **Clinical Neuropsychologist**
St Georges Trust, Regional neuroscience centre

- Working with various aspects of neuropsychology, such as carrying out specialist neuropsychological assessments on adults and older adults (e.g. mental capacity assessments, risk assessments, effects of brain injury / vascular problems, neuropsychiatric disorders), feeding back to clients and families the results of the assessments, and working to devise compensation strategies. Clinical direct work has included facilitating adjustment and increasing sense of self-efficacy and health prevention in those with medical conditions;
- Carrying out outpatient assessments for a neurology memory clinic and actively participating in the Wolfson Cognitive Assessment Programme (i.e. MDT outpatient rehabilitation assessment programme);
- Being part of the MDT goal-setting arm of the inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation teams, family meetings and case-managing client admission, treatment plan and discharge;
- Collaborating with other professionals to inform others' practice and providing psychological and neuropsychological views on clients and how best to meet their needs and those of their families;
- Delivering teachings to the psychiatry course *MRCPsych* (Royal College Psychiatrists Training) at Sutton Hospital on neuropsychological topics;
- Until February 2009 my role included one day per week at Queen Mary's Hospital, Roehampton, in inpatient neurorehabilitation, until two full-time posts were created and I opted to work full time at the Wolfson Rehabilitation Centre.

10.2006 - 02.2007 **Clinical Psychologist**
Frank Cooksey Neurorehabilitation Unit, Kings College Hospital

- Working in an inpatient MDT neurorehabilitation setting, including neuropsychological assessments and treatment, often MDT-based, feeding back to clients and families the results of the assessments, and working to devise compensation strategies;
- Being part of the MDT goal-setting arm of the inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation teams, family meetings and case-managing client admission, treatment plan and discharge;
- Collaborating with other professionals to inform others' practice and providing psychological and neuropsychological views on clients and how best to meet their needs and those of their families.

02.2005 - 09.2006 **Clinical Psychologist**

Neuropsychology and Mental Health of Older People, East London and the City University Mental Health Trust

- Carrying out community-based diagnostic assessments for an award-winning Memory Clinic to aid the dementia diagnostic process;
- Assessing and formulating a wide range of psychological and neuropsychological problems as a member of the Old Adult Community Mental Health Team (CMHT) and on the acute mental health wards of Newham Hospital;
- Temporary placements (one to two days per week) within adult mental health, including CMHT and acute wards and then one to two days per week within Children and Adolescent Services, to gain broader experience of carrying out cognitive assessments, psychological assessments, formulations, treatment team working and treatment.

Professional Memberships:

Health & Care Professions Council: Registered Practitioner Psychologist (Clinical Psychologist).

British Psychological Society: Full Member of the Division of Clinical Neuropsychology; Full Member of the Division of Clinical Psychology; Chartered Psychologist; Chartered Scientist; Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society; Special Register of Neuropsychologists.

National Register of University Certified Expert Witnesses by Bond Solon.

Recent Publications:

- Smith G., Monaci, L., van den Broek, M. D. (2025) Non-credible complaints and symptom validity in patients with chronic pain. Journal: Pain Research and Management
- Monaci, L., Dew, R., Stokes, D. (2021). Mental capacity in personal injury claims. PI Focus, APIL.
- Giles, E. and Monaci, L. (2019). Post-mortem capacity assessments, New Law Journal.
- Van den Broek M, Monaci L and Smith J Personal Problems Questionnaire (PPQ): normative data and utility in assessing acquired neurological impairment. Archives of Clinical Neuropsychology (2019).
- Giles, E. and Monaci, L. (2018). Practical advice on capacity to litigate, New Law Journal.
- Giles, E. and Monaci, L. (2018). Borderline Capacity, New Law Journal.
- Giles, E. and Monaci, L. (2017). Medical Expert Opinion on Causation in Civil Claims, Expert Witness Journal.
- Giles, E. and Monaci, L. (2017). Addressing causation in medical reports – a neuropsychological case study. New Law Journal.
- Monaci, L. (2016). An overview of cognitive symptoms in chronic pain. New Law Journal.
- Monaci, L. van den Broek, M., & Smith J (2016). Exploring the psychometric proprieties of the Personal Problems Questionnaire in a sample of chronic pain patients. International Neuropsychological Society Conference (poster).
- Deacon, C. & Monaci, L. (2016). Expert evidence in foreign applicable law cases: a legal and medico-legal perspective. New Law Journal.
- Monaci, L. and Wood, F. (2016). Pulling a fast one? New Law Journal.
- Monaci, L. (2016). Could the recent application of the CJCA 2015 mean that Neuropsychologists may be asked to comment on whether symptoms reported are credible? Expert Witness Journal.
- Monaci, L. (2015). A brief review, increased dementia risk associated with traumatic brain injury, Expert Witness Journal.
- Monaci, L. (2015). Memory Block, New Law Journal.
- van den Broek, M., Monaci, L. & Smith J (2015). The Personal Problems Questionnaire (PPQ): a Clinical and Validity measure, 4th European Conference on Symptom Validity Assessment.
- Monaci, L. (2014). Malingering, Factitious and Functional Disorders, The Expert Witness Journal.

Additional information:

- Full-enhanced CRB clearance. Registered with the ICO. GDPR compliant.
- Personal professional indemnity insurance.
- Fluent in Italian, good Swedish and Spanish. Experience of working with interpreters.