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**Clinical Neuropsychologist**



Health Professions Council Registration: **PYL24380**  
British Psychological Society Membership: **330274**

Dr Vikki Hunkin is a HCPC registered Clinical Psychologist and Clinical Neuropsychologist. She has worked in Clinical Neuropsychology for many years, both in NHS Clinical Neuropsychology services and in independent and medicolegal practice. Her expertise in cognitive and neuropsychological assessment is wide-ranging and comprehensive.

### **AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

Dr Hunkin has specialist training in cognitive and neuropsychological assessment of adults. She holds the Qualification in Clinical Neuropsychology (QiCN). This is the British Psychological Society's "gold-standard" qualification in cognitive and neuropsychological assessment.

Dr Hunkin has extensive experience working with patients across neurology care pathways, from acute inpatient wards to community settings. The focus of her work is cognitive assessment to diagnose problems with memory, language, attention and other cognitive skills; and treating these problems using the best evidence-based psychological rehabilitation approaches.

She is experienced in assessing a wide range of clinical problems, including learning/developmental disability, traumatic and acquired brain injury, stroke, dementia, chronic neurological illness such as epilepsy, and psychiatric conditions which present with cognitive problems.

### **EXPERIENCE**

Dr Hunkin has provided medicolegal reports to the courts since 2017. She completes around 50 reports each year, including cognitive assessments, mental capacity assessments and full neuropsychological assessments.

Cognitive Assessment, to assess memory, language, attention and other cognitive skills, and give an over IQ score.

Mental Capacity Assessment, including litigation capacity, testamentary capacity, capacity to make care decisions, financial capacity, and fitness to plead and stand trial.

Neuropsychological Assessment: to assess the impact of neurological injury or illness on cognition, emotional well-being, and behaviour; give an opinion on severity of injury and prognosis; and provide expert guidance on the management and treatment of neuropsychological problems

Dr Hunkin has experience of giving evidence in court and in producing joint statements. She has completed Bond Solon training in expert witness skills.

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## **WORK HISTORY**

**2017 - Present** Clinical Neuropsychologist – independent and medicolegal practice.

**2017 - Present** Trustee – Headway Cornwall.

**2009 – 2018** Clinical Neuropsychologist – Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust.

The Clinical Neuropsychology Service is a specialist assessment, consultation and rehabilitation service for adults with cognitive impairment secondary to known or suspected neurological illness and injury. Clinically, the role includes assessment, focused intervention and consultation to aid in the differential diagnosis of cognitive disorders, to guide multidisciplinary rehabilitation, to assess mental capacity, and to identify psychosocial factors impeding rehabilitation. Also to provide training and supervision to other psychologists and allied health professionals

**2006 – 09** Trainee Clinical Psychologist – Taunton and Somerset NHS Foundation Trust.

**2003 – 06** Assistant Psychologist – various organisations

## **PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

**2015** Qualification in Clinical Neuropsychology (adult) - British Psychological Society

**2011** Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Neuropsychology - University of Bristol

**2009** Doctorate in Clinical Psychology - University of Plymouth

**2003** BA (Hons) Experimental Psychology - University of Oxford

## **PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**

**2009 - Present** Associate Editor for Europe's Journal of Psychology.