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Curriculum Vitae

Nigel Schofield trained as a clinical psychologist at the University of Natal, Pietermaritzburg, Republic of South Africa, beginning work as a practitioner in 1985. Between 1985 and 1987 he gained experience in individual and group psychotherapy, forensic psychology and general adult mental health work whilst working in a psychiatric service in Pietermaritzburg. His duties included responsibility for all neuropsychological work undertaken within two psychiatric hospitals and satellite clinics in a local general hospital. Mr. Schofield emigrated from South Africa to the United Kingdom in August 1987, taking up a post doing general adult mental health work with Airedale Health Authority, West Yorkshire. During this period he maintained his specific interest in neuropsychology.

In March 1990 Mr. Schofield took up appointment as Head of Specialty, Neuropsychology and Clinical Psychology Services to Younger Disabled People at Derby City General Hospital, now the Clinical Neuropsychology Department at Derby Teaching Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, which post he still holds. He has gained considerable experience in the general field of physical disability, working primarily with patients suffering from neurological conditions or brain damage. Many of his patients are victims of accidents or assaults, often presenting with complex disabilities, which have physical, cognitive and psychological components. Mr. Schofield works in both inpatient and outpatient settings, with his particular area of interest and expertise being in the field of traumatic brain injury.

Mr. Schofield teaches in the fields of neuropsychology and physical disability to the post-graduate students training for the doctoral qualification in clinical psychology at Leicester University. He has also taught on the topics of sleep problems and medicolegal reporting to students on the M.Sc. course in Clinical Neuropsychology at the University of Nottingham, and on cognitive problems to graduate entry medical students at the University of Nottingham (Derby-based) medical school. He has published on management of fatigue and sleep problems in neurological conditions.

Since taking up his post in Derby Mr. Schofield has been a member of a number of local, regional and national advisory committees, having last year completed a three year term of office as a regional senate representative on the Clinical Reference Group advising NHS-England on the commissioning of specialist rehabilitation for patients with highly complex needs. He has also been involved with a number of East Midlands Clinical Senate working groups, some of which work continues.

Mr. Schofield is an Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society, being a full member of its Division of Clinical Psychology and Division of Neuropsychology. He has held Chartered Psychologist status since the inception of that system by the British Psychological Society. He also completed the post-qualification training course in clinical neuropsychology provided by the then British Psychological Society Special Group in Clinical Neuropsychology, which later became the Division of Neuropsychology. He is a registered practitioner with the Health Care Professions Council

Mr. Schofield has extensive experience in providing medico-legal reports in cases of personal injury. He has undertaken training in report writing, presenting evidence in court, and working as a single joint expert witness, all of which were provided by the British Psychological Society. He has undertaken both plaintiff and defence-side work under the old Civil Procedure Rules, and since the inception of the Civil Procedure Rules 1999, has undertaken work as a single joint expert. Mr. Schofield is in the Sweet & Maxwell Directory of Expert Witnesses (formerly The Law Society Directory of Expert Witnesses) and is on the APIL expert database.