

CURRICULUM VITAE

Peter Blundell – Independent Social Worker, Social Care Consultant and Therapist

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Qualifications

- Social Work Practice Educator (Stage 2) (2018)
- PhD in Counselling (2017)
- MA in Social Work (2013)
- Diploma in Counselling (2013)
- BA (1st Class Hons) Psychology with Sociology (2009)
- PAMS trained (2016)

Recent Relevant Training

- Form F assessment training (2018) – Roger Chapman
- Voice of the Child training (2018) – Research in Practice
- Independent Social Work Training (2018) - BASW

Recent Career History

Sept 2018 – Present	Lecturer in Counselling, Psychotherapy and Social Work, Liverpool John Moores University
April 2018 – Present	Independent Social Worker
Sept 2018 - Present	Fostering Panel, Independent Social Worker, LA
Jan 2014 – Aug 2018	Consultant Social Worker, Local Authority

Professional Membership

Dr Blundell is a registered member of the following organisations: Health & Care Professions Council (HCPC); British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (MBACP); British Association of Social Workers (MBASW).

Professional Experience

- Experience of child protection work, as an investigating and assessing social worker, including chairing strategy meeting, multiagency risk

assessment meetings and supervising social workers undertaking child protection work

- Experience of preparing a wide range of assessments and reports for presentation to court.
- Experience of providing evidence in care and related proceedings to the court.
- Scrutiny of Form F assessments
- Extensive experience of chairing multi-disciplinary meetings.
- Experience of supervising front line staff across the full range of child care work
- Experience of managing social workers
- Experience of working with children with disabilities including: complex and profound physical disabilities; ASD; and severe learning difficulties
- Experience of assessing and working with parents with learning difficulties
- Experience of assessing and supporting children looked after
- Experience of preparing reports for the purpose of court proceedings.
- Experience of providing oral evidence within proceedings.
- Experience of professional and expert meetings
- Mental Capacity Assessments
- Gillick Competency Assessments
- Deprivation of Liberty Declaration assessments and court applications for under 16 year olds
- Dr Blundell has also acted as a social care consultant to organisations to advise over a variety of areas. Such as:
 - Location Assessments
 - Supervising Registered Managers
 - Quality Assuring Assessments and Paperwork
 - Developing Policy and Procedure
 - Delivering workshops and training
- Experience as a peer reviewer for multiple academic journals including: Counselling and Psychotherapy Research Journal; British Journal of Guidance and Counselling; International Journal of Qualitative Methods.