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## EDUCATION

### **UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON**

Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (DClinPsy) Bachelors of Psychology (BSc Hons)

# **CARDIFF UNIVERSITY & BOND SOLON**

**Expert Witness Certificate: Family Law** 

# QUALIFICATIONS

- The Structured Assessment of Violence Risk in Youth (SAVRY) Forensic CAMHS Oxford NHS (2025)
- Anti-Racism in Leadership Oxford NHS (2025)
- Trauma-informed Practice Oxford NHS
- Technology Assisted Harmful Sexual Behaviour AIM & NSPCC (2024)
- **Assessment Intervention Model: Intervention for Adolescents Displaying** Harmful Sexual Behaviours and their Parents/Carers AIM Project (2023)
- AIM Assessment for Adolescents **Displaying Harmful Sexual Behaviours** AIM Project (2022)
- Narrative Exposure Therapy NET Institute
- Behavioural Therapy for Tic Disorder (CBiT, ERP and HRT) GOSH NHS (2022)
- Autism Diagnostic Observation Schedule (ADOS2) GOSH NHS (2022)
- Supervisor Training Workshop UEL (2021)
- Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (Provisional Level2) BABCP (2020)
- Systemic Thinking and Practice (Foundation Level) AFT (2020)
- **Development of Psychoanalytic Theory** and Practice Tavistock & Portman NHS Trust (2020)

# DR MORVWEN DUNCAN

HCPC REGISTERED CLINICAL **PSYCHOLOGIST** PYL38736

## PROFILE

Having trained and working in the NHS for over 10 years, Dr Duncan founded The Lotus Psychology Practice with a vision to provide mental health care that is accessible, individualised and evidence-based. Dr Duncan has a strong academic record, having worked at national and international universities, including Cambridge University and Harvard Medical School. She regularly publishes in peer-reviewed journals and speaks at international conferences. Dr Duncan has extensive experience working across the lifespan, with both children and adults experiencing a range of mental health difficulties, substance misuse, and supporting those with neurodevelopmental conditions or intellectual disabilities. Having worked in the national attachment & trauma service and a family court assessment team, she has specialist experience in assessment of parenting, parent capacity and developmental trauma. Most recently, she has worked as the clinical lead of a specialist forensic child and adolescent services

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-	EMPLOYMENT HISTORY	2004 PRESENT
	Lead for Child & Adolescent Harmful Behaviour Service & Lead for Youth Justice & Exploitation Service CAMHS  Forensic CAMHS, Oxford Health NHS Trust	2024-PRESENT
7	Founder & Clinical Lead The Lotus Psychology Practice	2021-PRESENT
	Associate Clinical Psychologist: Expert Witness for Family, Criminal & Civil Courts Dr Grange & Associates	2023 - 2024
r	Associate Clinical Psychologist: Functional Symptoms Mind & Body London by Professor Isobel Heyman	2021 - 2025
þ	Lead for Harmful Sexual Behaviours/Highly Specialist Clinical Psychologist Youth Justice Service CAMHS, South London & Maudsley NHS Trust	2022-2024
<b>+</b>	Honorary Senior Clinical Psychologist: Tic Service Neurodevelopmental Conditions, Great Ormond Street Hospital NHS Trust	2022-2023
þ	Senior Clinical Psychologist: The Psychological Medicine Team Functional Symptoms Service, Great Ormond Street Hospital NHS Trust	2020-2022
<b> </b>	Clinical Psychologist: The Attachment & Trauma Team Parenting & Child Service, Great Ormond Street Hospital NHS Trust	2020-2022
7	Clinical Psychologist in Training: Fostering, Adoption & Kinship Car The Tavistock & Portman NHS Trust	re Team 2019-2020
r	Clinical Psychologist in Training: Paediatric Pain & Neurology Great Ormond Street Hospital NHS Trust	2018-2019
	Clinical Psychologist in Training: National Hospital for Neurology & Neurosurgery  Queens Square, UCLH NHS Trust	2018-2019
þ	Clinical Psychologist in Training: Rehabilitation & Recovery for Psychosis &	
	Bipolar Disorder Camden & Islington NHS Trust	2017-2018
P	Clinical Psychologist in Training: Camden Drug & Alcohol Service Camden & Islington NHS Trust	2017-2018
H	Assistant Psychologist: Looked-after & Adopted Children's Mental I Team Northamptonshire Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust	<b>Health</b> 2016-2017
þ	Assistant Psychologist & Researcher: Cancer Psychological Service St Batholomew's Hospital, NHS Foundation Trust	<b>2</b> 014-2016
<b> </b>	Assistant Psychologist: Hillingdon Drug & Alcohol Service Central & Northwest London NHS Foundation Trust	2014-2015
þ	Mental Health Worker	2014

·Samutthana, Kings College LondonResource Centre for Trauma in Sri Lanka

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD 2024

Practice based learning Module Guest Lecture - Harmful Sexual Behaviours and working with complexity in multi-agency systems

#### UNIVERSITY COLLEGE LONDON

Secondary trauma and compassion fatigue in adoptive families

The School Transition and Adjustment Research study (STARS)

Marker for the Clinical Mental Health Sciences MSc.

Supervision of two DClinPsy research projects exploring functional tics and neurodevelopmental co-morbidities (ADHD/ASD/LD) in children and young people

#### QUEEN MARY UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

2014-2016

2017-2024

Survivors Rehabilitation Evaluation after CANcer (SURECAN) study

Teaching to medical students on research methods and statistics

#### **UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE**

2013-2014

The London Education and Inclusion Project (LEIP) field study

#### HARVARD MEDICAL SCHOOL

2011

Modular Approach to Therapy for Children with Anxiety, Depression, Trauma or Conduct Problems (MATCH)

# CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS/INVITED SPEAKER

Coram BAAF Conversations (2025): Adoption & Fostering Podcast: Child to Parent Violence and Aggression in Adoptive Families

Consortium of Voluntary Adoption Agencies (2024): Supporting the Mental Health of Adopted Teenagers: Research, Theory and Practice

24th International Neuropsychiatry Association Congress, Melbourne, Australia (2024)

Invited Symposium Oral Speaker: Functional Tics: Co-occuring Neurodevelopmental Presentations and how to Support Children, Young People and their Families.

#### The 15th European Conference on Tourette Syndrome & Tic Disorders, Brussel, Belgium 2023

Poster Presentation: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder in Young People with TouretteSyndrome and Functional Tic-like Behaviours.

Poster Presentation: Functional Tic-like Behaviours: A Comparison with Tourette Syndrome and Functional Symptoms in Children and Young People.

Poster Presentation: Characterising YoungPeople with Functional Tic-Like Behaviours in the Context of Functional Symptoms: Preliminary Data Analysis.

Poster Presentation: Identifying AutismSpectrum Disorder (ASD)in Young People presenting with Functional Tic-Like Behaviours.

#### The 10th European Association of Psychosomatic Medicine, Vienna, Austria, 2022

Poster Presentation: Tic-like Presentations during the COVID-19Pandemic.

#### The 14th EuropeanConference on TouretteSyndrome & Tic Disorders, Lausanne, Switzerland 2022

Oral Presentation: Evaluation of a Psychoeducation Group for ChildrenPresenting with Functional Tics.

Oral Presentation: Family History of Neurodevelopmental and Mental HealthProblems in Childrenwith Functional Tics.

The 13th EuropeanConference on TouretteSyndrome & Tic Disorders (ESSTS) Virtual, 2021

 $Oral\ Presentation: Mixed\ Methods Follow-Up\ of\ Children\ and\ Young\ People Following\ a\ Diagnosis\ of\ Functional\ Tics:\ A\ Prospective\ Study.$ 

#### PUBLICATIONS

- Duncan, M., & Grieve, A., (2025). Clinical Characteristics of Children and Young People Accessing a Specialist Harmful Sexual Behaviour Service: A Proposed Pathway Model. Journal of Sexual Aggression.
- Liang, H., et al (2025). Autism in Children and Young People with Functional Tic-Like Behaviours: A Retrospective Cross-Sectional study. Archieves of Diseases in Childhood.
- Duncan, M., Fearon, P., & Woolgar, M. (2025). Primary and secondary trauma in adoptive parents. Clinical Child Psychology and Psychiatry, 30(1), 127-141.
- Burn, O., **Duncan, M.,** McAllister, E., Murphy, T., & Loewenberger, A. (2025). The journey to a functional tics diagnosis and experiences of post diagnostic support: perspectives from adolescents and their parents. Disability and Rehabilitation, 1-12.
- **Duncan, M.,** Fearon, P., Woolgar, M., (2024). A qualitative exploration of how adoptive parents experience the direct and indirect traumaof their child'searly maltreatment. Adoption &Fostering.
- Duncan, M., Pearman, Z., Harrold, K., Warren, A., Evans, S., McAllister, E., Heyman, I., Shavel-Jessop, S., Murphy, T., Liang, H. (2024). Evaluation of a Psychoeducation Group for Children presenting with Functional Tic-like Behaviours. Clinical Child Psychology and Psychiatry.
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- Ching, B., Elphic, C., Sarai, A., **Duncan, M.,** et al. (2022). Demographic and clinical characteristics and patterns of use of specialist child mental health services in children and young people in a paediatric hospital before and during COVID-19in United Kingdom:retrospective observational study. Clinical Psychology Forum.
- Buts, S., Duncan, M., Owen, T., Martino, D., McWilliams, A., Murphy, T., Malik, O., Liang, H., Heyman, I., Hedderly, T. (2021). Paediatric tic-like presentations during the COVID-19pandemic. Archives of Diseases in Childhood.
- Duncan, M., Woolgar, M., Ransley, R & Fearon, P. (2021). Mental health and behavioural difficulties in adopted children: A systematic review of post-adoption risk and protective factors. Adoption & Fostering.
- Leff, A. P., Nightingale, S., Gooding, B., Rutter, J., Craven, N., Peart, M., Dunstan, A., Sherman, A., Paget, A., **Duncan, M.**, Davidson, J., Kumar, N., Farrington-Douglas, C., Julien, C., & Crinion, J. T. (2021). Clinical Effectiveness of the Queen Square Intensive Comprehensive Aphasia Service for Patients With Poststroke Aphasia. Stroke.
- **Duncan, M.,** Carroll, S., Cockburn, R., Johnston, C., Bullock, H., Mitchell, S., & Hemingway, C. (2020). Psychosocial impact of paediatric demyelinating disorders: a scopingreview. Developmental Medicine & Child Neurology, 62(11), 1250-1258.
- Moschopoulou, E., Deane, J., Duncan, M., Ismail, S. A., Moriarty, S., Sarker, S. J., White, P., & Korszun, A. (2021). Measuring quality of life in people living with and beyond cancer in the UK. Supportive Care in Cancer, 1-8.
- Duncan, M., Korszun, A., White, P., & Eva, G. (2018). Qualitative analysis of feasibility of recruitment and retention in a plannedrandomised controlled trial of a psychosocial cancer intervention within the NHS. Trials, 19(1), 327.
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- Duncan, M., Deane, J., White, P. D., Ridge, D., Roylance, R., Korszun, A., ... & Bourke, L. (2017). A survey to determine usual care after cancer treatment within the United Kingdom national health service. BMC Cancer, 17(1), 186.