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## **Dr Benjamin John Laskey CPsychol, AFBPsS**

### **Curriculum Vitae**

#### **Employment:**

<b>Aug 2014 – Present</b>	<b>Director and Consultant Clinical Psychologist</b> The Psychology Partnership
<b>Aug 2010 – Aug 2014</b>	<b>Director and Consultant Clinical Psychologist</b> PACTT Ltd
<b>Sept 2012 – Feb 2013</b>	<b>CBT Development Lead (Child IAPT)</b> University of Exeter
<b>Feb 2010 - Sept 2012</b>	<b>Senior Clinical Psychologist</b> Children in Care Psychology Team Cornwall County Council

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**Jan 2009 - Feb 2010**      **Principal Clinical Psychologist / Parenting Expert**  
Central Manchester University Hospitals Foundation  
NHS Trust

**Jul 2009 – Jun 2012**      **Honorary Tutor in Clinical Psychology**  
The University of Manchester

**Dec 2004 – Jan 2009**      **Clinical Psychologist**  
Salford CAMHS, Royal Manchester  
Children's Hospital

**Jun 2006 – Jul 2007**      **Academic Tutor in Clinical Psychology**  
The University of Manchester

## **Qualifications**

**Doctor of Clinical Psychology** - University of Manchester. Awarded Sept 2004

**Psychology with European Studies – 2.1 BA (Hons)** - University of Exeter.  
Awarded Jun 1998

**Licence – Psychologie (French 3<sup>rd</sup> year degree study in Psychology)** -  
Université de Bourgogne, Dijon, France. Awarded Jun 1997

## **Professional Memberships**

Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society

Registered Practitioner Psychologist with the Health and Care Professions  
Council

Registered Expert Witness with the British Psychological Society

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Member of the British Association of Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapists

## Expert Witness Experience

I have worked clinically in the NHS and private practice since 1999. I provide training to professional groups in relation to individual and family anxiety, trauma, shame, self-care for professionals and working with clients who struggle to engage. I speak at local and national conferences and have published widely.

I am an experienced expert witness with over 15 years working for the Courts. I have an excellent reputation for very clear and concise reports, delivered on time. I regularly give evidence in open Court.

I specialise in working with vulnerable individuals and in engaging successfully with people who might normally find this difficult. I pride myself on working kindly and respectfully with those I assess and in minimising stress and disruption associated with any assessment process.

I aim to promote best outcomes for the people I work with, by identifying the support required to promote recovery, to aid effective engagement with professionals/the Court and to maximise adaptive psychological functioning.

## Family Law

I have been providing expert assessments of parents and children for the Family Court since 2008.

I have a particular interest in Cognitive assessments and assessments of Capacity and my work for the Family Court is currently focussed in this area. I offer assessments at short notice on an in-person basis (or remotely if this is indicated) and with a rapid filing of reports.

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I have worked for the Family Courts since 2008 and have completed a very large number of complex assessments, working extensively with risk issues, problems related to family violence, addiction, abuse and neglect. I am very experienced in the assessment of adults and children.

## Personal Injury

I have been providing expert Personal Injury Assessments for the Courts since 2011. I have provided several thousand personal injury reports (including road traffic, employment and negligence claims) working both for defendants and claimants and accepting joint instructions. I have extensive experience of preparing joint statements.

I provide assessments with children, adolescents and adults. I provide assessments in relation to psychological adjustment following adverse life events (road traffic accidents, Medical Negligence, employment/absence management) and of litigation capacity and cognitive function

## Research and Publications

Laskey, B. & Butler, G. (2021) Complex Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder and the Family Court. Family Law.

Laskey, B. & Butler, G. (2020) Emotional harm and interim removal: how psychological thinking can support practice. Family Law.

Laskey, B. & Koch, H. (2014) Assessing the Young Person Following a Road accident – England. IR Journal.

MacKenzie, R., Laskey, B., & Wittkowski, A. (2013) The Role of Parental Anxiety in Child Related Threat Interpretation. Cognitive Therapy Research, 37:1070E 1078.

Berry, L., & Laskey, B. (2013) A Review of Obsessive Intrusive Thoughts in the General Population. Journal of Obsessive Compulsive and Related Disorders.

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Laskey, B.J. (2011) parenting and young anxious children (ACAMH – improving access to CAMHS – Invited paper)

Cartwright-Hatton, S., McNally, D., Field, A. P., Rust, S., Laskey, B., Dixon, C., Gallagher, B., Harrington, R., Miller, C., Pemberton, K., Symes, W., White, C., Woodham, A. (2011). A New Parenting-Based Group Intervention for Young Anxious Children: Results of a Randomized Controlled Trial. *Journal of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry*.

Cartwright-Hatton, S., Laskey, B., Rust, S & McNally, D. (2010) *From Timid to Tiger: a treatment manual for parenting the anxious child*. Wiley UK.

Crye, J., Laskey, B., & Cartwright-Hatton, S. (2010). Prevalence and Correlates of Obsessions in Non-Referred Adolescents. *Psychology and Psychotherapy: Theory, Research and Practice*. 83, (1), 15E26.

Laskey B.J., & Cartwright-Hatton, S. (2009). Parental discipline behaviours and beliefs about their child: associations with child internalising and mediation relationships. *Child: Care, Health and Development*. 35, (5), 717E727.

Laskey, B., & Cartwright-Hatton, S. (2008) *Childhood anxiety and depression*. In Davey, G. (Ed) *Clinical Psychology (Topics in Applied Psychology series)*. Hodder Education, Hachette Livre UK. London.

Mawson, A., & Laskey, B. (submitted). Long Term Outcome Evaluation and Service Users' Views of Community Parent Training Programmes. Submitted to Primary Health Care Research and Development.

Cartwright-Hatton, S., Bullen, C., & Laskey, B. (submitted) *The Parents' Metacognitions Questionnaire: Preliminary Validation of an Instrument Measuring Parents' Beliefs about Children's Thoughts and Thinking Processes*. Submitted to *Journal of Anxiety Disorders*.

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