

## PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND AND EXPERIENCE

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I have worked in Local Authority children and families' services and adult social care services since 1988, prior to which I had volunteered working with people with learning disabilities and a service supporting children who had a parent in prison.

In 1992, after qualifying as a Social Worker, I worked in Child Protection and fostering services for Cambridgeshire County Council. I took a career break when I had children and since 2002 until 2018, I have worked in adult and children's social care services in Buckinghamshire.

In 2018 I became an agency Social Worker for Oxfordshire County Council.

During my career, I have worked in multi-agency settings and have benefitted from joint working experience with other professionals including psychiatric, nursing, psychological, speech and language and occupational therapy services.

I have worked with diverse client groups of both adults and children, many of whom have experienced neglect and abuse. I have a particular experience and developing interest in parents with learning needs and parents with personality disorder.

I have undertaken short-term courses in Personality Disorder and Parenting at the Anna Freud Centre and attended Excellence in Written Evidence course with Bond Solon.

I hold an Advanced Certificate in Systemic Practice with Families and Couples (Institute of Family Therapy 2016)

In my professional career, I have regularly attended other post-qualification short courses and training associated with child protection, safeguarding, assessment of parents and their children. I have also attended courses in learning disability, autism, adult mental health, child sexual and emotional abuse, domestic violence, risk assessment and child neglect and attended in-house training for parents who have misused drugs and alcohol and I am registered with the Health and Care Professions Council.

### **Qualifications**

**University of Nottingham**  
1986

**Social Administration BA Hons**

**University of Leicester**  
1992

**Social Work MA / CQSW**

**Institute of Family Therapy**  
2015/16

**Advanced Certificate in Systemic Practice**

I am pleased to become a welcomed and valued addition to Faye Hammond Consultancy.