



Mr Gary SPENCER-HUMPHREY

Independent Social Worker | Expert Witness | Trainer

Gary Spencer-Humphrey is our Founding Director of Nova Care Consultants and our Principal Social Worker. He is also an Approved Mental Health Professional, a Best Interests Assessor, a DoLS Authorising Officer and a Forensic Social Supervisor. He has worked in senior management and strategic leadership in both the NHS and the Local Authority and is now the lead ISW with Nova Care.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Nova Care Consultants Ltd Dec 2019 - Present

Founding Director | Independent Social Worker | Expert Witness

- Director of Nova Care Consultants, lead expert witness and capacity assessor.

Southampton City Council Feb 2021 - June 2024

Head of Service for Adults and Community Wellbeing

- Senior leader and manager of statutory adult social work

West Sussex County Council Jul 2019 - Feb 2021

Senior Approved Mental Health Professional

- Lead Approved Mental Health Professional (AMHP)

Hampshire County Council Feb 2009 - July 2019

Care Manager and Senior Social Worker

- Registered Social Worker

EDUCATION

Master of Arts in Advanced Mental Health Practice Sep 2021

Bournemouth University, UK

Bachelor of Arts in Social Work Dec 2016

Open University, UK

Postgraduate Diploma in Adult Safeguarding Jul 2014

University of Keele, UK

Bachelor of Laws Dec 2012

Open University, UK

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CLINICAL SKILLS

- Registered Social Worker
- Approved Mental Health Professional
- Best Interests Assessor
- DoLS Authorising Officer
- Forensic Social Supervisor
- SAM Trained (Safeguarding Adults Manager)
- ParentAssess Trained
- ABE (Achieving Best Evidence) trained, Adults
- Qualified Trainer (C&G 7407)
- Practice Supervisor

AWARDS

- Social Worker of the Year (2017)
- Lawyer Monthly Expert Witness of the Year (Social Care) (2019)
- Solent Business Awards (2024)