

## ***Assessment services***

Our Clinical Psychologists are all trained and experienced in conducting comprehensive assessments, medico-legal court reports and providing expert witness testimony at legal hearings. This means that, whenever necessary, they can undertake comprehensive assessments of children, who may have been identified as having either risk issues or significant emotional or behavioural problems, at short notice and at any location within Horizon Care's regions.

The Clinical Psychologists will assess the children's psychological well-being, emotional needs and behavioural problems in order to develop a systematic formulation of the factors that are causing and maintaining their difficulties and to inform selection of the most appropriate intervention strategies. This will result in detailed reports that provide short-, medium- and long-term recommendations that can enhance care planning.

Comprehensive assessments will be tailored entirely to the specific instructions received, but can potentially focus on a wide range of issues, including:

- relationship between a child and their parent(s) or carer(s)
- attachment and attachment style
- emotional and behavioural difficulties
- mental health
- intellectual ability
- risk assessment
- forensic psychology assessment
- parenting ability and suitability for a caring role

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