



MS MARCIA BLACKSTOCK

MENTAL HEALTH NURSE

REGISTERED MENTAL HEALTH NURSE (RMN)

NMC NO: 82C0231E

Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust
(2024- Present)



EXPERT INFORMATION

SPECIALIST AREAS:

- Mental health standards of care
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS)
- Adult mental health services
- Crisis intervention

CASES ACCEPTED:

Claimant age: From birth

- Clinical assessments
- Remote assessments
- Home visits*
- Prison visits (remote)
- Criminal cases
- Screening reports
- Desktop reports
- Family cases

*Case-by-case



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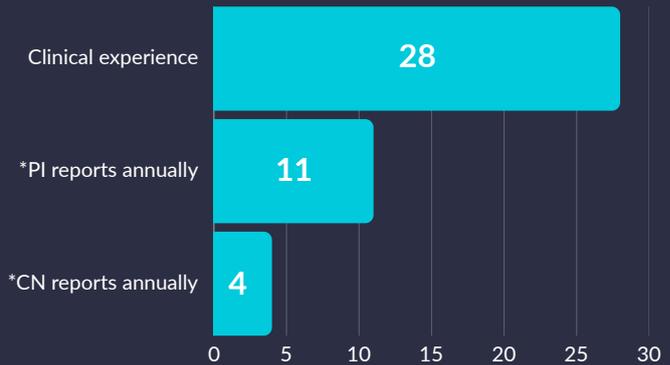
EXPERT RATIO



CLAIMANT **80%**
DEFENDANT **20%**



CLIN NEG **30%**
PI **70%**



*Annual report from 2024

VENUES:



- Chamberlain Clinic, Birmingham, B15 3HG
- The Whitefield & Radcliffe Holistic Centre, Manchester M26 1JU
- Rushcliffe Physiotherapy, Nottingham, NG11 6DT
- Adhoc venues by request

FURTHER INFO:

- Court experience
- Bond Solon trained
- Legal aid (LAA)
- Personal Injury
- Fixed Fee
- NHS contracted
- Weekend and evening appointments
- Clinical Negligence:
 - Causation
 - Liability
 - Breach of Duty
 - Condition & Prognosis

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CASES RELATING TO:

- Mental health standards of care
- Mental health risk assessment and management
- Crisis intervention and emergency mental health services
- Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHS)
- Adult mental health services
- Substance misuse and dual diagnosis
- Perinatal mental health
- Community mental health care
- Mental capacity assessments
- Mental health review tribunals
- Cognitive assessments
- Treatment protocol reviews
- Mood disorders
- Bereavement and grief
- Autism
- Fitness to plead
- Fitness to work assessments
- Domestic violence
- Sexual assault
- Workplace discrimination
- Road traffic accident (RTA)
- Ethical decisions on elderly patients
- Effects of work related stress
- Feigning or exaggeration of symptoms (malingering)
- ADHD
- Depression
- Eating disorder
- Post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD)
- Schizophrenia
- Self-esteem
- Self-injury
- Self-harm
- Paranoia
- Care management
- Safeguarding
- Infection control
- Suicide & self-harm
- Medicine management
- Bipolar disorder
- Psychosis
- Delirium
- Modern day slavery
- Alcohol and drug related offences
- Frailty
- Rehabilitation
- Phobias
 - Natural environment (astrophobia, hydrophobia, dendrophobia)
 - Animals (batrachophobia, cynophobia, equinophobia)
 - Mutilation/medical treatment (trypanophobia, dentophobia, hemophobia)
 - Situations (claustrophobia, glossophobia, aerophobia)

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MEDICO LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

Ms Blackstock is an experienced Mental Health Nurse with a strong background in forensic mental health and secure care. She has extensive experience working with complex, high-risk and high-dependency patient groups, offering expert insight into care delivery, risk management and institutional safeguarding.

Her expertise include detailed analysis of observation practices, care coordination and discharge readiness. Ms Blackstock's reports are recognised for their clarity, structure and strong grounding in clinical evidence.

She is regularly instructed by both Claimant and Defendants in personal injury and clinical negligence cases and is able to provide expert opinion on causation, condition and prognosis, liability and breach of duty. She has completed the Bond Solon Expert Witness course. She can provide evidence in court when required.

Since 2024 Ms Blackstock has practised independently, building on her substantial experience in both ward based and community mental health settings. Her background in mental health assessment, risk evaluation, clinical management and case file review underpins her expertise in preparing comprehensive expert witness reports.

CLINICAL EXPERIENCE:

Ms Blackstock is a seasoned and highly respected Registered Mental Health Nurse with over 38 years of continuous clinical practice in the UK's mental health sector. Her career reflects a deep commitment to improving mental health outcomes across diverse populations, with experience spanning acute inpatient care, community psychiatric services, crisis intervention, substance misuse, perinatal mental health and Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS).

She is currently practicing as an Expert Nurse Witness and 111 Mental Health Nurse Clinician, combining her deep clinical insight with legal expertise. Ms Blackstock's clinical journey began in 1982 as a pupil nurse, progressing through roles that include Staff Nurse, Community Psychiatric Nurse, Ward Manager and Departmental Manager.

She has worked extensively in both hospital and community settings, managing caseloads involving clients with severe mental illness, learning disabilities and dual diagnoses. Her leadership roles have involved supervising multidisciplinary teams, coordinating Electroconvulsive Therapy (ECT) services and implementing quality improvement initiatives in mental health care delivery.

Her commitment to professional development is reflected in her wide range of training in areas such as the Mental Health Act, safeguarding, dementia care and crisis resolution. She is a registered member of the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) and the Royal College of Nursing, upholding the highest standards of ethical and clinical practice.

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