

Dr Aonghus Ryan CV

PRINCIPAL PROFESSIONAL SPECIALISM

Clinical Psychologist

CPsychol BSc. MSc. DClinPsych, PGDip Neuropsych

QUALIFICATIONS & ACCREDITATIONS

- **PGDip in Clinical Neuropsychology**, University of Glasgow, 2020
- **Doctorate in Clinical Psychology**, University of Oxford, 2014
- **MSc. Foundations of Clinical Psychology**, University of Bangor, 2008
- **BSc. Psychology**, Queen's University Belfast, 1999

PAST & PRESENT POSITIONS

- **Principal Clinical Psychologist**, Oxford Centre for Enablement, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, 2020 to Present
- **Principal Clinical Psychologist**, Central England Rehabilitation Unit (CERU), Royal Leamington Spa Hospital, 2017 to 2020
- **Principal Clinical Psychologist**, Oxford Centre for Enablement, Oxford University Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust, 2016 to 2017
- **Principal Clinical Psychologist**, Hertfordshire Neurological Service - Locality Team, Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust, 2015 to 2016
- **Clinical Psychologist**, Community Neurological Service, Buckinghamshire Healthcare NHS Trust, 2014 to 2015
- **Clinical Psychologist**, Older Adult Community Mental Health Team, Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust, 2014 to 2015
- **Clinical Psychologist in Training**, University of Oxford / Oxford Health NHS Foundation Trust, 2011 to 2014

MEMBERSHIPS

- Chartered Member of the British Psychological Society
 - Member of the Division of Clinical Neuropsychology
- Health and Care Professions Council PYL31158

SPECIAL INTERESTS

- Adult Neuropsychology (Assessment & Rehabilitation)
- Neurobehavioural Disability
- Acquired Brain Injury
- Stroke
- Mental Capacity Act (2005) Assessment
- Family impact of Acquired Brain Injury
- Co-morbid Psychiatric Disorder

EXPERT WITNESS EXPERIENCE

Dr Ryan has acted as expert witness for the family court and holds particular expertise in mental capacity assessments in the context of pre-morbid psychiatric diagnoses.

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TRAINING/CPD

- The evolving PI Legal landscape, Legal Training Consultancy, 2025
- Intensive Short Term Dynamic Psychotherapy, ISTDP Midlands, 2018
- Clinical Neuropsychology of Ageing and Dementia, University of Oxford, 2014
- Emotion Focused Couples Therapy – Externship, The International Centre for Excellence in Emotionally Focused Therapy, 2014
- Good Clinical Practice Training (Research), NHS, 2010

PUBLICATIONS

- Lipscombe, L., & Ryan, A (2024). Evidence of music therapy yielding individual attainment and a positive rehabilitative milieu: a psychodynamic intervention bigger than the sum of its parts. [Poster session]. 21st Conference of the Neuropsychological Rehabilitation Special Interest Group of the World Federation for NeuroRehab, Glasgow, UK.
- Ryan, A. (2019). The importance of syntax in making meaning and emotional adjustment: A brief psychodynamically oriented intervention in receptive aphasia. In Meredith, K. H., & Yeates, G. N. (Eds.), *Psychotherapy and Aphasia* (pp. 17-32). Routledge: Abingdon.
- Ryan, A. & Yeates, G. (2021). Neuropathological inertia and remobilisation of cathexes/SEEKING system through rage and working through: Brief psychodynamic therapy with a survivor of bilateral globus pallidus (basal ganglia) lesions. In Salas, C., Turnbull, O. (Eds) *Clinical Studies in Neuropsychoanalysis II*.
- Coercion in mental health: a trial of the effectiveness of community treatment orders and an investigation of informal coercion in community mental health care. Burns, T., Rugkåsa, J., Yeeles, K., & Catty, J. (2016) on behalf of the Oxford Mental Health Coercion (OCTET) Programme Group.
- Ryan A, Patel R, Russell L, Turnpenny L, Visser C. Community treatment orders on trial: The OCTET RCT. IXth International Conference of the European Network for Mental Health Service Evaluation (ENMESH), Ulm, Germany, 23–25 June. *Psychiatrische Praxis* 2011; 38.