

Guy Shennan	Curriculum Vitae
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<p>Education</p>	<p>1983 – BA in Mathematics, Oxford University 1989 – MA in Applied Social Studies, Sheffield University (distinction) 2006 – MA in Solution Focused Brief Therapy, Birmingham University 2014 - MA in Philosophy, Open University (distinction)</p>
<p>Professional qualifications</p>	<p>1987 – Certificate of Experience in Social Psychiatry with Adolescents, Macclesfield Young People’s Unit. 1989 – Qualified as a Social Worker (CQSW) and currently registered with the Health & Social Care Professions Council. 1995 – Accredited Social Work Practice Teacher 1998 – Family Therapy (Intermediate Level)</p>
<p>Other training (received)</p>	<p>1995 - present Many courses in solution-focused practice 2003 Accelerated Learning - Training for trainers 2014 Narrative Therapy (Level One) - Institute of Narrative Therapy 2014-2015 Narrative Therapy (Level Two) - Institute of Narrative Therapy</p>
<p>Employment</p>	<p>1983-1984 – Community Service Volunteer, Liverpool 1984-1985 – Mental Health Day Centre Worker, Liverpool MIND 1985-1987 – Nursing Assistant/Therapist, Young People’s Unit, Macclesfield Health Authority 1989-1998 – Social Worker, Derbyshire County Council/Derby City Council. Generic social work & social work with children and families, in patch-based team and Duty & Assessment Team</p>

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Employment (continued)	<p>1998-2002 – Project coordinator, Early Response Unit, Leicester Family Service Unit. Solution-focused therapeutic service for families</p> <p>2002-2003 – Senior Practitioner (P/T), Children’s Team, Leicester City Council</p> <p>2003-2004 – Social Worker (P/T), Family Support Team, Leicestershire County Council</p> <p>2001-2004 – Independent trainer & solution focused consultant</p> <p>2004-2010 – Trainer & solution-focused practitioner, BRIEF, London.</p> <p>2010 – Independent trainer & coach/ consultant/therapist</p>
Academic work	<p>1989 - Temporary Research Assistant - Sheffield University</p> <p>1992-3 - Honorary Lecturer - Nottingham University</p> <p>1992-3 - Honorary Lecturer - Nottingham Trent University</p> <p>1992-4 - Honorary Social Work Tutor - Nottingham Trent University</p> <p>1997-8 - Lecturer (Child Care Law) - Derby University</p> <p>2010-present - Guest Lecturer - University of East London, Clinical Psychology & Community Psychology courses</p> <p>2018-9 - HPL Lecturer (Systemic Therapies module) UEL Community Psychology course</p> <p>2015-present - Guest Lecturer - Derby University, Social Work course</p> <p>2017-present - Honorary Lecturer - Salford University</p> <p>2018-present - Community Tutor - Queen Mary University of London - Graduate Medical Students</p>

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Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extensive experience of working in residential, day care, community social work, clinical & educational settings. • Includes working in the field of mental health and with children and families, including child protection and young offenders. The first practitioner in the UK to use the Signs of Safety model of child protection practice. • Current practice includes individual and family counselling, therapy and coaching, and groupwork.
Consultation & supervision	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supervised and coached many individual practitioners and consulted to a range of staff groups from the public and voluntary sectors. • Offers individual and group supervision
Training (provided)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Involved in training professional staff from health, therapy, social care, probation and education, from across the public, voluntary and corporate sectors since 1999. Specialising in solution-focused practice, also taught the Signs of Safety approach. • Developed and co-led the Diploma in Solution Focused Practice at BRIEF. • Invited to present work throughout the UK, as well as in Ireland, the Netherlands, Spain, Poland, Belgium, France, Italy, Bulgaria, Austria, Finland, Sweden, Germany, Turkey, Palestine, Denmark, Russia, Latvia and the USA.
Other relevant experience	<p>1993-1998 - School Governor/ Chair of Governors, Ashgate Junior School, Derby</p> <p>1993-1999 - Committee member, Derbyshire Branch, British Association of Social Workers (BASW)</p> <p>2003-2004 - Founded and chaired Leicestershire Branch, BASW.</p> <p>2005-present: Founder member, original treasurer, Tower Hamlets & Jenin Friendship Association</p> <p>2011-present: Co-founder, secretary, Palestine-UK Social Work Network</p> <p>2014-2018 - Chair, British Association of Social Workers</p>

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Other relevant experience (continued)	2016-8 - Co-ordinator, Austerity Action Group/Social Workers and Service Users Against Austerity 2018 - Co-founder, The Solution-Focused Collective 2011 - founder and first captain, The Camel Cricket Club, Bethnal Green 2019 - present: Chairman, North East London Cricket League
Membership of professional bodies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United Kingdom Association of Solution Focused Practice (founder member) • British Association of Social Workers • Registered with Social Work England
Publications	<p>Shennan, G. (1998) Are we asking the experts? Practice teachers use of client views in assessing student competence, <i>Social Work Education</i>, 17, 4, 407-417.</p> <p>Shennan, G. (1999) Systemic practice within child protection investigation, <i>Context</i>, 41, 18-19.</p> <p>Shennan, G. (2003) Solution-focused practice with families. In B. O'Connell and S. Palmer (eds.) <i>Handbook of Solution-focused Therapy</i>. London: Sage</p> <p>Shennan, G. (2003). The Early Response Project: a voluntary sector contribution to CAMHS, <i>Child and Adolescent Mental Health in Primary Care</i>, 1, 46-50.</p> <p>Shennan, G. (2003). Solution-focused practice and assessment, <i>Journal of Primary Care Mental Health</i>, 7, 78-81.</p> <p>Shennan, G. (2006) 'Doing it' in Child Protection, <i>Solution News</i>, 2,3, 15-19.</p> <p>Hackett, P. and Shennan, G. (2007) Solution focused practice with children and young people. In Thorana Nelson and Frank Thomas (eds), <i>Handbook of Solution-focused Brief Therapy: Clinical applications</i>. New York, Haworth Press.</p> <p>Shennan, G. (2008) Solution focused practice in a family support team, <i>Solution Focused Research Review</i>, 1,1, 11-15.</p>

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