

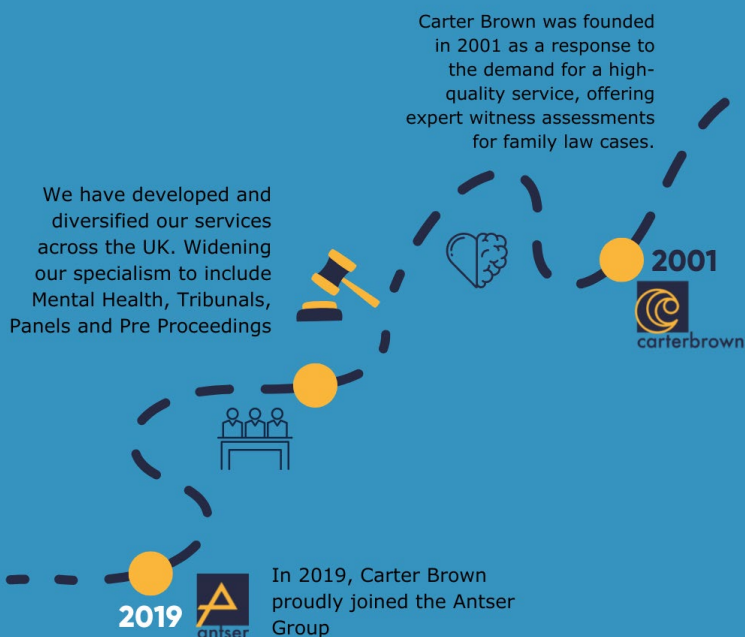
CARTER BROWN

THE UK'S LEADING INDEPENDENT PROVIDER OF
PSYCHOLOGICAL, PSYCHIATRIC, PAEDIATRIC AND
SOCIAL WORK ASSESSMENTS

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WELCOME TO CARTER BROWN

OUR JOURNEY



DELIVERING INDEPENDENT EXPERTISE

We provide a bespoke assessment and consultancy service that is professional, timely and transparent. We offer psychological, psychiatric, social work and paediatric assessments, completing over 4,000 reports each year for solicitors, courts, local authorities, panels and other organisations.

With over 650 experts based nationwide, we can offer a local service for a variety of assessments within legal aid rates.

MARKET LEADERS ACROSS THE UK



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WE ARE MARKET
LEADERS



650+

650 EXPERTS ACROSS
THE UK



4,000+

REPORTS
DELIVERED EACH
YEAR



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WHY CARTER BROWN?

Whether someone is a legal professional looking for an expert witness, a local authority needing assessments, or an individual / organisation requiring specialist support, Carter Brown, the largest provider of independent experts across the UK, will ensure they receive a professional and timely service at a reasonable cost.

WHAT WE CAN OFFER THE COURTS

- ✓ Independent Expert Witnesses that includes; Psychologists, Psychiatrists, Paediatricians and Social Workers
- ✓ Expert Witnesses that work within the Legal Aid Agencies rates and guidelines
- ✓ Assessments that are in line with our own quality standards
- ✓ A robust recruitment process that ensures the Experts that we provide are in line with the Ministry of justice quality standards.

WHAT WE CAN OFFER LOCAL AUTHORITIES & INDEPENDENT PROVIDERS

- ✓ Independent social work assessments for fostering, adoption, special guardianship, viability and connected persons
- ✓ Specialist psychological, psychiatric, paediatric and independent social work assessments before and during proceedings
- ✓ International social work assessments
- ✓ Stage 2 Complaints – independent persons and investigators



QUALITY

We provide a variety of in-built systems to support our experienced experts, this includes active case management through one point of contact, an in-house quality assurance team and professional consultation. When you make a referral to us, you'll always receive a full estimate of costs, including a breakdown of time and expenses.

CONVENIENCE

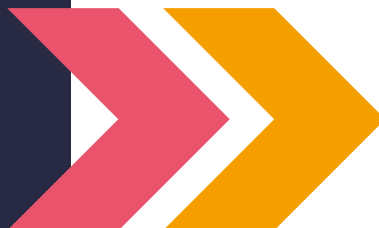


We manage each referral individually, matching the needs of an assessment to the expertise and experience of our experts. From first point of contact we will manage the referral and assessment process for you. Our aim is to save you time by providing an accessible and flexible service that immediately meets your assessment needs.

BEST VALUE



Our service is completely transparent; we provide expert witness assessments within Legal Aid Agency guidelines, and other assessments or project work is completed within a fixed fee. Our robust safer recruitment process validates relevant expertise, excellent practice and compliance including DBS checks, references, professional registration and insurances.



**SCAN THE QR CODE TO
EXPLORE OUR SERVICES**



OUR SERVICES

EXPERT WITNESS ASSESSMENTS

With over 650 experts, we are able to provide a variety of assessments at legal aid rates and assessments are completed to court timescales.

Our assessments cover an extensive range of issues, including:

- ✓ Assessments of Adults and Children
- ✓ Cognitive, Capacity and Fitness to Plead Assessments
- ✓ Domestic Abuse
- ✓ Substance Misuse
- ✓ Learning Difficulties/Disabilities
- ✓ Forensic Risk
- ✓ Attachment
- ✓ Non-Accidental Injury
- ✓ Mental Health
- ✓ Diminished Responsibility
- ✓ Sentencing and Parole Board Reports
- ✓ Court of Protection

Stage 2 & 3 Complaints

Our team of experienced investigators will undertake the role of investigator/independent person in a professional and transparent manner, and will provide an evidence based, clear and comprehensive report.

Additionally, we can provide panel members and panel chairs to facilitate stage 3 panel reviews.



OUR SERVICES

CARER-BASED ASSESSMENTS

We understand the importance of completing robust, evidenced based and supportive assessments of prospective carers, which assesses and demonstrates their ability to be resilient, caring and adaptable. Assessments are completed to panel and court deadlines and are set at fixed fees, which includes all travel and panel attendance.

OUR CARER-BASED ASSESSMENTS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Form F
- ✓ Adoption (PAR and Annex A)
- ✓ Connected Persons
- ✓ SGO Assessments
- ✓ Carer Supervision
- ✓ Viability and Initial Visits
- ✓ International Assessments



OUR SERVICES

LOCAL AUTHORITY ASSESSMENTS

We work directly with a number of local authorities nationwide, providing assessments through early intervention, edge of care and pre proceedings. We are able to offer a range of assessments to support decision making and intervention at each stage and can offer both fixed fee and legal aid rates.

OUR LOCAL AUTHORITY ASSESSMENTS INCLUDE:

- ✓ Parenting Assessments
- ✓ PAMS / ParentAssess
- ✓ Viability Assessments
- ✓ Sibling and Attachment Assessments
- ✓ Age Assessments
- ✓ Immigration Assessments
- ✓ Specialist Cognitive, Psychological, Psychiatric and Paediatric Assessments
- ✓ Therapeutic Needs Assessments
- ✓ International Assessments
- ✓ Adult Needs Assessments



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MEET THE CARTER BROWN TEAM

AMY CALLAGHAN HEAD OF SERVICE



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Amy has over 10 years' experience within children's services, working directly with local authorities and independent service providers to support better outcomes for children, young people and families across the UK. In her role, Amy ensures all teams are working seamlessly to deliver a gold-standard service to the care sector.

RINNISHA TAYLOR PRACTICE LEAD



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Rinnisha is a qualified social worker with over 15 years of experience in providing high quality care and support to vulnerable individuals. Rinnisha has a consistent track record of working successfully with individuals, families or groups, all within a variety of settings and a vast expertise by dealing with a range of cases and currently delivers expertise as Practice Lead as part of the Carter Brown team.

CHERYL MUSGROVE OPERATIONS MANGER



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As head of Service at Carter Brown, Cheryl is responsible for ensuring our clients receive a professional and time sensitive service, continually looking for ways to improve and build upon the same. Her experience within this sector spans more than 10 years and sits on a background of a career within the legal sector.

PAIGE HOGG RECRUITMENT MANAGER



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As a passionate Recruitment and Training Manager, Paige is responsible for recruiting psychologists, psychiatrists, independent social workers and pediatricians mainly within the family law sector to complete assessments on behalf of courts, local authorities and panels.



A NOTE FROM OUR CEO, RICHARD DOONER

Thank you for visiting our stand at the National Children and Adult Services Conference 2022!

We are delighted to be here at the NCASC, surrounded by so many like-minded organisations. The health and social care sectors are currently going through their own challenging transformation, but by coming together we are all taking a step in improving services for the people that need them the most.

We look forward to speaking to you during the show!

Providing psychological, psychiatric, paediatric and social work expertise to the courts and Local Authorities at legal aid rates since 2001, capturing the demand for a high-quality service, offering specialised expert witness assessments for family law cases.

Since this time, we have developed, diversified, and expanded our services across the UK to become the largest provider of multidisciplinary assessments, widening our specialism to include reporting directly to Local Authorities and within Criminal Law, Asylum and Immigration, Mental Health Tribunals, Panels and Pre-Proceedings.



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