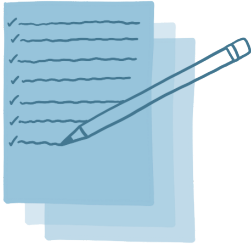


**MEDICO
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@ Psych Connect



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Introduction



Being involved in the legal system is a stressful experience, regardless of the reason. At Psych Connect's Medico- Legal Services , we strive to provide high quality psychological evaluations that provide useful information to the Court and counsels involved in your case.

We have a highly qualified and multidisciplinary team at Psych Connect , with extensive experience and a successful track record of providing forensic psychological assessments, child custody evaluation, parental alienation and psychological trauma for children, young people and adults.



Among the specialist staff team are

Chartered Forensic Psychologists

Clinical Psychologists

We provide high quality evaluations to assist the Courts in making legal decisions when there are issues of mental health symptoms and diagnosis such as post traumatic stress disorder, acute stress disorder, parental alienation , attachment challenges , and intellectual functioning.

Custody Evaluations

When the Court determines that a custody evaluation would be helpful to assist it in understanding what is in the child's best interest per the Singapore law, our highly specialised trained colleagues will act as a neutral evaluators. Interviews with the parents, psychological testing, parent/child observations, collateral interviews, record review, and highly specialised investigation such as the CAPA(Child Attachment Play Assessment) , MIM (Marschak Interaction Method)are used together with other methods of data collection and a report is submitted.

Juvenile Psychological Evaluations

For court involved juveniles, the Court may order or the family may pay privately for a psychological evaluation to assist the Court in understanding the youth's mental health, substance abuse, and/or intellectual functioning issues and how those may have contributed to his/her legal situation. Clinical interviews, psychological testing, record review, collateral interviews, and other methods of data collection are used to address the specific referral question and to address how to reduce the youth's risk of recidivism.

Range of Services

Psychological Evaluations Of Parents Involved In Custody Cases

When the Court determines that psychological evaluations of one or both parents would be helpful to assist it in understanding what is in the child's best interest per Singapore law, our highly specialised colleagues will serve as a neutral evaluators. Interviews with the parent(s), psychological testing, personality assessments , risk assessments and collateral interviews, and record review are all used in data collection and a report is submitted.

Psychological Evaluations Of Parents Involved In Abuse & Neglect Cases

For parents who have a founded CPS complaint or a criminal conviction for child abuse or neglect, psychological evaluations are often ordered to determine if there are mental health, substance abuse, or intellectual functioning issues that contributed to the problematic parenting behaviors. In our reports we also recommend services, interventions such as parental reunification , trauma based intervention , attachment based intervention , parenting based intervention reports, when appropriate, to reduce the risk of recidivism.

When requests are received for other types of psychological evaluations, our specialists would triage and consider them on a case-by-case basis.

The list of assessment tools/types below are some of the tools that are commonly used within the field of clinical and forensic psychology. They are assessment tools that our team may (or may not) choose to use, or these are assessments that the client may have already had, but where an independent assessment is needed to provide opinion on the case.



EXAMPLES MAY INCLUDE:

Risk for Sexual Violence Protocol / RSVP / SVR-20v2 – sexual violence risk assessment

Risk assessment of young people
e.g. SAVRY

Wechsler Abbreviated Scale of Intelligence / WAIS-II / cognitive functioning screening assessment

SAPROF / SAPROF-Y / SAPROF-SO - protective factors assessment

Mauschak Interaction between Child & Parent

HCR-20v3 – violence risk assessment

Spousal Assault Risk Assessment / SARAv3 – domestic violence risk assessment

Trauma assessment; PTSD and Complex-PTSD diagnosis

Diagnostic assessment of ADHD/ AUTISM

Meaning of The Child / Child Attachment and Play Assessment



Range of Therapeutic Interventions

- Supervised Assess (Observing and making recommendations for supervised custody exchanges • Expert Witness
- Parental Reunification •



Theraplay -
To build secure and
connected relationships
between caregivers
and the child.

Trauma Focused CB
(TF-CBT)

**Schema (Children &
Adolescents**
(ST-CA)

**Eye Movement
Desensitisation
Reprocessing**
(EMDR)

**Sensory Motor Arousal
Regulation Therapy**
(SMART)

Trauma Informed Parenting -
Understanding of traumatic
event/trauma effects on child
(Side-line to Individual therapy if
parent has undergone the traumatic
event as well) Resource playfulness
and fun back in parent-child
relationships

Trauma Based Intervention -
Trauma informed care intervention
that helps children and parents
process thoughts and feelings
related to traumatic life events;
manage and resolve distressing
thoughts, feelings, and behaviors;
and enhance safety, growth,
parenting skills, and family
communication



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