



## CORE AND ENHANCED INTERVIEWING SKILLS FOR FORENSIC PSYCHOLOGISTS (2-dagsinternat / ekspertkursus)

**Kære medlem af Dansk Retspsykologisk Selskab,**

Det er med stor glæde, at vi kan invitere dig til vores to-dagsinternat / ekspertkursus (på engelsk) om "Core and Enhanced Interviewing Skills for Forensic Psychologists" v/**Dr. Caroline Logan**, Consultant Forensic Clinical Psychologist & Honorary Associate Professor, University College London, UK.

**Onsdag d. 8. – torsdag d. 9. april 2026**  
**Helnan Marselis Hotel**  
**Strandvejen 25**  
**8000 Aarhus C**

Forensic psychologists require skills in the direct assessment of individuals who may be anxious, ambivalent, or even reluctant to engage in such an assessment process. The core skills required are those related to *interviewing*, specifically a combination of skills in forensic and clinical interviewing. Forensic psychologists also need access to specialist or enhanced interviewing skills when interacting with individuals who have difficulties relating to others, such as those with mental health or personality issues, social communication difficulties associated with neurodiverse presentations, or complex presentations involving multiple problems and areas of need. This intensive and participatory two-day workshop will cover the range of core and enhanced interviewing skills that forensic psychologists should be familiar with and ready to use.

### **Learning objectives:**

1. To enhance the awareness of participants in interview styles and techniques, including their own.
2. To encourage the development of new skills, such as in conversational facilities in direct assessment interviews.
3. To provide participants with some exercises with which they may practice and observe developments in their interviewing competencies following the workshop.

### **Program:**

Day one will focus on the core interviewing skills for direct assessments. Skills include interview preparation and planning, managing initial contacts and follow-ups, and building rapport throughout. Specific techniques then will be examined, illustrated and practiced, such as inquiring and changing topics (using conversational facilities), probing, observing, managing and riding resistance, and detecting and challenging anomalous accounts. At the end of day one, a personality-based approach to interviewing will be described and discussed.

Day two will focus on how to adapt existing and new skills to more challenging interview situations, namely the direct assessment of people with mental health problems, including personality difficulties, and people who are neurodivergent. Attention will also be given to interviewing people who exaggerate or feign mental health problems. Case studies and exercises will be used to illustrate and enhance learning and test skills.

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## Detailed Workshop Outline:

### Day 1: Core interviewing skills for forensic psychologists

**09.30-10.00:** Coffee and welcome

**10.00-10.45:** Introductions and expectations

**10.45-11.15:** Core skills: Interview preparations and planning, and managing initial contacts and endings

**11.15-11.30:** Break

**11.30-13.00:** Rapport building, maintenance and recovery – and what to do when it's gone

**13.00-14.00:** Lunch

**14.00-15.15:** Specific techniques: Enquiring and changing topics (or conversational facilities), probing, observing, managing and riding resistance, and detecting and challenging anomalous accounts

**15.15-15.30:** Break

**15.30-17.00:** A personality-based approach to interviewing, including participatory exercises

**17.00-17.45:** Review of the day and close

**19.00-21.00:** Fælles 3-retters middag (eksklusiv drikkevarer)

**21.00 →:** Snak og hygge i loungeområdet

### Day 2: Enhanced interviewing skills for forensic psychologists

**07.00-09.00:** Hotel breakfast

**09.00-10.15:** Interviewing people who have mental health problems linked to the risks they may pose (including case study)

**10.15-10.30:** Break

**10.30-12.00:** Interviewing people with personality problems linked to the threats they may pose (including case study) – interviewing people who misrepresent their mental health problems, if not malingering, will be considered here

**12.00-13.00:** Lunch

**13.00-14.15:** Interviewing neurodiverse people whose neurodiversity is relevant to the threats they may pose (including case study)

**14.15-14.30:** Break

**14.30-15.45:** Interviewing people with a range of problems and complex needs linked to the threats they may pose (including case study)

**15.45-16.45:** Review, personal improvement plans, concluding comments

Der er lagt op til to spændende og hyggelige dage i godt selskab!

Vi ser frem til at se dig.

**Med venlig hilsen**

**Bestyrelsen**

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**Praktisk info:****Tidspunkt:**

Onsdag d. 8. april 2026 kl. 10.00 – kl. 17.45

Torsdag d. 9. april 2026 kl. 9.00 – kl. 16.45

**Pris:**

DRS medlemspris: 5.500,-

Ikke-medlemmer/andre faggrupper: 8.250,-

Prisen er inklusiv forplejning samt overnatning.

Dog eksklusiv drikkevarer til middagen onsdag.

Prisen reduceres ikke, såfremt overnatning fravælges.

**Sted:**

Helnan Marselis Hotel

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**Tilmelding:** Senest d. **01.03.26** via <https://www.dp.dk/course/core-and-enhanced-interviewing-skills-for-forensic-psychologists-2-dagsinternat-ekspertkursus-403998/>

**Antal deltagere:** Max. 30

**Specialistgodkendelser:**

**Psykoterapi:** 12 timer i emneområde - 12.4.4.2.1. Klinisk psykologisk undersøgelsesmetodik (Voksen)

**Psykopatologi:** 12 timer i emneområde - 13.4.4.2.2. Klinisk psykologisk undersøgelsesmetodik

**Sundhedspsykologi:** 12 timer i emneområde - 11.4.4.2.3. Udredning (Voksen)

**Underviser:**

**Caroline Logan** is a Consultant Forensic Clinical Psychologist. She has worked as a lead consultant in high and medium secure forensic mental health services in the north of England, and as a consultant/contractor with law enforcement and threat assessment and management agencies in the UK and elsewhere for almost 30 years. Currently, she is an Associate Clinical Consultant with Theseus Fixated Risk Management, based in London, and a scientist at Helse Bergen, Norway. She has held academic appointments since being awarded her research doctorate in 1996 – at the universities of Liverpool and Manchester, and she has just commenced an academic affiliation with University College London in the position of Honorary Associate Professor. Dr Logan has ongoing clinical and research interests in personality disorder, risk, violent extremism, and forensic clinical interviewing, and she has a special interest in gender issues in the range of violent and offending behaviour. She has published five books and over 90 articles on these subjects, including [Violent Extremism: A Handbook of Risk Assessment and Management](#), a book co-edited with Randy Borum and Paul Gill, published in November 2023, and a second edition of [Managing Clinical Risk: A Guide to Effective Practice](#) co-edited with Lorraine Johnstone, published in January 2024. She has commenced work on a new book on violent extremism in youth, again with Professors Randy Borum and Paul Gill, and a book on personality and risk is in the pipeline.

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