

Presenter

Dr Phil Watts

Dr Phil Watts, is a well-known West Australian Psychologist who is endorsed to practice in both Clinical and Forensic areas. He is the author of "Surviving the Witness Box" (2007); "Shared Care or Divide Lives" (2008); "IP:DIY Internet Pornography: Do it yourself treatment guide for men" (2014); "A psychological survival guide for breast cancer" (2015); "Casino Life: Psychology and culture of casino gambling" (2018). He is also an adjunct associate professor in Clinical Psychology at the University of Canberra and teaches on a casual basis at Murdoch University.

With nearly 30 years' experience as a psychologist, the last 26 in private practice, Dr Phil has a broad range of forensic and clinical experience. He runs a busy practice involving forensic assessment of families and individuals, and clinical treatment of adults in Perth. A significant aspect of his practice includes running training courses for various professions including psychologists, social workers, and lawyers. Due to popular demand, this is his fourteenth national training circuit providing practical skills training to psychologists. With over 1200 appointments as "Single Expert" in the Family Court and 1000 reports for other courts, he is highly experienced within the legal arena.

He has given evidence in numerous trials in the Children's, Family, District and Supreme Courts. He has also appeared before the Criminal Injuries Compensation board and the Immigration Appeals Tribunal. An interesting peculiarity is that he actually enjoys giving evidence in Court!

Workshop Schedules

Location	Venue	Court Essentials	Difficult People	PAI
Sydney	Rydges Camperdown 9 Missenden Rd Camperdown NSW	Mon 2nd Mar	Tue 3rd Mar	Wed 4th Mar
Brisbane	George Williams Hotel 317 George St Brisbane QLD	Thu 5th Mar	Fri 6th Mar	N/A
Melbourne	Clarion Suites Gateway 1 William Street Melbourne VIC	Mon 30th Mar	Tue 31st Mar	Wed 2nd Sep
Canberra	Crowne Plaza 1 Binara Street Canberra ACT	Thu 2nd Apr	Fri 3rd Apr	N/A
Perth	Comfort Inn & Suites Goodearth 195 & 196 Adelaide Tce Perth WA	Thu 21st May	Fri 22nd May	N/A

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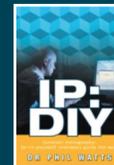
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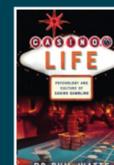
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Difficult people

Identifying and managing high conflict people before they destroy you!

Most people are reasonable and treat their therapist, family, friends and colleagues with respect and understanding. However, a small but significant number of people do not act like this. They may be your client, or the reason a client has come to therapy. Even worse, they may be a colleague, family member or workmate. **If you become the target of blame from one of these people, your life may be impacted for years with legal, emotional, or complaint issues.**

Interestingly, if someone is having difficulty with a high conflict difficult person, it makes sense to go and see a psychologist and they will teach assertiveness skills and boundaries. However, with some of these people it has no impact or assertiveness skill makes the situation worse as the difficult person does not care about how you feel or what consequence you want. Psychologists need to ensure that they understand how to help the clients differently and not to further entrench them in the situation. Therefore, when dealing with difficult high conflict people there needs to be particular skills and strategies.

While high conflict difficult people may have personality disorders, it is not the only reason. Therefore, this workshop is about identifying and understanding these people, whether it is personality disorder or some other cause.

Dr Phil's workshop discusses some of the differences between reasonable and unreasonable people, explains the links of how unreasonable people are often the high conflict parties, and will teach you some ways to recognise and manage the unreasonable person.

Essentials Guide To Court

How not to go, and if you do how to do it well!

Dr Phil has been training clinicians on how to avoid court and if they have to go, how to survive the witness box. His three one-day workshops include Legal Skills 101 – a Reliable witness, writing reports for court, and surviving the witness box. This workshop compresses the three past workshops into a single comprehensive package.

The content of the workshop includes:-

- Understand the legal system and where mental health workers fit in
- Develop strategies to avoid going to court
- Appreciate the difference between lay and opinion evidence
- Understand the need for record keeping and notes
- Know the critical differences between treatment reports and forensic assessments
- Learn to write practical reports for court
- Anticipate the five domains of cross examination
- Learn why it is impossible to predict the line questions
- Practice strategies to survive the witness box

The target audience of this workshop is broad enough to cover anyone who has to give opinion evidence in court. The emphasis is for those who have minimal or limited experience with court and would like practical survival tools. Experienced practitioners will also benefit with a refresher in the key skills for giving good evidence.

This is a repackaging of Dr Phil's previous Reliable Witness and Surviving the witness box workshops into a single one-day presentation.

PAI (Personality Assessment Inventory)

Introductory and Advanced Interpretations

For the last 25 years the PAI has been establishing itself as a psychological instrument of practical utility in assessing clinical pathology. This workshop is designed to help psychologists get the most from an assessment which involves the PAI.

The focus of the workshop is on practical skills training. The format of the day involves an initial review of the nature and structure of the PAI clinical scales in the morning. The practical skills training involves analysing a real protocol to establish confidence in using this tool both in formal assessments and clinical cases. The afternoon session focusses on response style indicators and detecting positive and negative (malingering) response patterns.

This workshop uses group discussion throughout the day. A range of cases are considered including family court, workers compensation, criminal related matters, and clinical assessment. The cases are real clients. If you have a scored but unusual PAI bring it along to for discussion. Application in personnel selection is touched on.

- The morning introductory component assumes no pre-existing knowledge about the PAI.
- The advance part of the workshop runs in the afternoon.
- This covers advanced aspects of the PAI, response style indicators, effortful and non-effortful distortions, and other advanced tools
- Includes discussion on Corrective Services Norms and Selection Applications.