

## Member Profile: Andrew Greenfield

I attended UNSW and initially majored in Genetics. I was enrolled in a Bachelor of Advanced Science and decided to change the major to Psychology for my second year at University. My mother had worked as a Psychologist in the court system, private practice and for almost 20 years in a private school. Growing up, I was fortunate to attend seminars at the school where she worked and was able to observe her in her role as a school psychologist. I was also able to attend guest speaker seminars at the school with various Psychologists and Paediatricians. My mother inspired me to go into the field of Psychology.



Career wise, I started as a volunteer counsellor with a community health centre, as a research assistant for a Professor at Sydney University Educational Psychology Department as well as various other voluntary positions, before starting as a Provisional Psychologist for the Sydney Developmental Clinic, a large Developmental Paediatric Practice. I worked there for 8 years in total, 5 years full time and then the last 3 years part time while I was able to set up my own private practice. I have been in private practice for almost 13 years and practice in the eastern, northern and western suburbs of Sydney. I specialise in ADHD, Learning Difficulties, Parenting & Behaviour Management. I am a father of three young children. I am an identical twin, often see twins for 'twin issues' or 'twibling rivalry' and have contributed to the Multiple Birth Association Magazine.

Over my career I am very proud to have built up a successful practice and am privileged to work with many schools, Paediatricians, Psychiatrists and allied health professionals. I enjoy giving seminars to parents, professionals and teachers. I am the immediate past Vice President of the Learning Difficulties Coalition NSW and currently serve as a committee member. I enjoy discussing and debating various topics and have been able to appear on regular television segments on the Today Show and Sunrise programs, as well as regular segments on 2UE and 2GB radio.

For provisional psychologists working in the field, I would encourage them to find one area they are passionate about and specialise in that rather than trying to be a 'jack of all trades'. Ability to network and build relationships with colleagues and referral sources is extremely important, as is being approachable as a clinician. Surrounding yourself with trustworthy and competent people to help advise you on the business side of things is also invaluable.

I am very lucky to work with my wife in my practice and have had my mother as a role model in the profession.

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