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AREAS OF PRACTICE

Abuse: Emotional / Depression/ Loneliness Physical / Sexual Family of Origin Issues Grief / Loss / Bereavement Anxiety Assertiveness / Social Skills Habit Change / Hoarding Attachment Issues Personal Growth / Wellness

Behaviour Problems Phobias / Fears/ Panic Caregiver Stress Relationship Issues

Couple Therapy Self Esteem

Separation / Divorce Stress Management Trauma, PTSD Workplace Issues:

CHRSP#: 02914

Burnout / Career Retirement

TREATMENT APPROACH

POPULATION

Emotion-Focused Humanistic /Existential Cognitive-Behavioural

Experiential

Association of Psychologists of Nova Scotia

Young Adult 19-25 Adult >25 Aged ≥ 65

OTHER

Workshops / Groups

PROFILE

Dr. Heather Higgins has been a Registered Psychologist for over 30 years. She received her Ph.D. from the University of British Columbia, and she worked in Vancouver and Toronto before returning to Halifax. Heather has practised in a variety of settings, including a community mental health clinic and she also taught in a university graduate counselling program for several years. Currently, Heather works full-time in private practice, providing therapy for adults who are dealing with anxiety, depression, stress, loss, low self-esteem, relationship issues, career issues, and adjustment to life transitions. Heather believes that empathic understanding is essential in developing a strong therapeutic relationship and supporting change and growth. Her approach is primarily Humanistic-Existential, and she also uses Cognitive -Behavioural strategies when they may be helpful for clients in resolving emotional distress. Heather has a special interest in working with individuals in mid-life and beyond, who are coping with change and transition in their lives. She is also keenly interested in the field of Positive Psychology and how this approach can help people develop their strengths and improve their emotional well-being.