# Pavithra Muthu

Counselling Psychologist/Mental health Practitioner

## **ACADEMICS**

2019	M Sc. Counselling Psychology Christ University, Bangalore	FIRST CLASS
2017	<b>B Sc. Psychology</b> Ethiraj College, Chennai	FIRST CLASS
2014	Higher Secondary Education Biology Stream D.A.V School, Chennai	FIRST CLASS
2012	Secondary School Education D.A.V School, Chennai	FIRST CLASS

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019-2020	Aditya Vidhyashram Residential School (CBSE) Pondicherry	SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	Worked as an in-house school counsellor, serving both in the school and in the hostel. With a primary focus on offering one to one counselling sessions to students and staffs, conducting group sessions, motivational sessions, psycho-educational sessions, career guidance orientation, developing IEP's, coordinating/organizing sessions from reputed educational institutions for career advancements were also carried out.
2018-2019	The PTA School Bangalore	TRAINEE SCHOOL COUNSELLOR	Trained as a school counsellor during block placement, involving 250 hours of direct counselling sessions and psycho-education to the school students. This extensive training has improved my skills, competency and confidence in working with school students.

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

2019		
(June)	UGC- NET	QUALIFIED

#### PREVIOUS ASSOCIATIONS

2019	Chemical Addiction Rehabilitation Education (CARE) Bangalore	Worked as an in-house counsellor and offered psychotherapy and other mental health services to the addicts residing in the rehab. Closely offered counselling services to 5 clients through 12+ sessions across a month, observed their group interactions and with adequate supervision carried out interventions and session plans moving them across the motivational stages in the path of recovery.
2018	Cancer Institute (WIA) Adyar, Chennai	Worked in the department of Psycho-oncology and primarily was involved in case history taking, observing the counselling sessions across a month, assisted in research conduction, attended the case presentations, contributed to the intervention plans, actively involved in planning and conducting outreach programs, facilitated the support group meetings. During this, I actively engaged in the Tobacco Cessation Centre (TCC) and conducted sessions to the patients under close supervision.
2016	MANAS Counseling Services Chennai	Got trained in case history taking, case study, tool development procedures, relaxation methods, research methodologies, conduction and analysis.
2015	Bodhi Learning Centre Chennai	Observed special children throughout their speech therapy, occupational therapy and shadow teaching. Developed and presented a case study on a child with autism.

#### **OTHER INFORMATION**

- Trained in Cognitive Behavior Therapy (CBT).
   Presented the Postgraduate Research Paper in the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Interdisciplinary Conference 2019 at Christ University.
- With a primary Rogerian style, I am actively involved in eclectic approach, with more emphasis in positive psychology and ethicality is of prime importance.