

# Care Homes and The Mental Capacity Act 2005

## *A One Day Course*

The Mental Capacity Act 2005 has a considerable impact on care homes. Many activities performed by care home staff are covered by the Act such as, feeding, bathing, giving medication, nursing care and accompanying residents outside the home. People affected include those with dementia, learning disabilities, confusion (due to illness, treatment or drug/alcohol misuse), brain injury or mental health problems. Managers and staff need to know how the Act will affect them and their working practices to ensure legal protection.

This course provides the essential knowledge care home staff need in order to work with and implement the Act effectively, ensuring compliance with the legislation. Practical issues in using the legislation are considered and addressed.

### **WHO IS THIS COURSE FOR?**

Managers and all staff working in care homes or other residential settings.

### **SUMMARY OF CONTENT**

- The key rules and procedures of the Mental Capacity Act and their effect on care homes
- How working practices will be affected by the legislation
- The skills needed to assess capacity and make decisions on behalf of others
- Practical application of the legislation in care homes through case studies

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This Course is available as an 'in house' commissioned training programme for up to 30 people.

Further details can be obtained from

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