

Communication and Direct Work with Children

A one day course

This course will aim to provide practitioners who are working directly with children and young people with 'facilitation' techniques which will help understand issues and resolve them.

This course will require practitioners to work in twos to apply the techniques and understand their effectiveness.

Who is this for?

Designed for all professionals with a responsibility for safeguarding children who may be in a position of working directly on a particular issue or as part of an assessment.

Learning Outcomes:

On completion of this course, participants will be able to:

- Consider the principles of direct work with children.
- Understand the impact of trauma on children's behaviour and development.
- Learn and know the application of techniques of direct work and facilitation skills by engaging in experiential learning.
- Know what to consider in order to carry out a piece of work with a child.

PROGRAMME:

Session 1 Principles of good practice in working with children and families.
Large group discussion.
What is meant by direct work and the mediums in which this can take place.

Session 2 Summary of the impact of trauma and what may come up during direct work.
The assessment tool.
Facilitation techniques.
Exercise: Direct work exercise.

Session 3 Exercise cont: Facilitation in twos and large group feedback.
Exercise: Second direct work exercise – Facilitation / feedback.

Session 4 Exercise: Third direct work exercise ; facilitation/ feedback.
Feedback to 'client'
Discussion/Summary on tools to assist and summary.