



DISABILITY AND SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN

A ONE DAY MULTI AGENCY COURSE

Will this course be useful to me in my job?

Research has repeatedly shown that children who have a disability or learning difficulty are particularly vulnerable to abuse especially where their disability affects the way they communicate. It is important that these children are safeguarded. The day will be of interest to all people who have direct contact with children who may have these special needs and difficulty in communicating.

This is not a course for specialists but will be suitable for those people whose knowledge of this topic is basic or those who wish to acquire knowledge in this field

Please also see the courses on "How the Police Investigate Cases of Child Abuse"

What will the course cover?

The course aims to

- Give further understanding of vulnerability
- Give further understanding of the effects disability can have on workers
- Explore protective strategies
- Share ideas and innovative practice
- Explore different forms of communication and emphasise the importance of working together

Who will present the course?

The course will be presented Jenni Whitehead from Education Bradford and Shannon Gibbon from Barnardo's "Seen and Heard" Project. Shannon has a wealth of experience working both directly with children and young people and with their parents and Jenni's expertise will be well known from other BSCB trainings. Jenni works for Education Bradford and has specialised in child sexual abuse and protecting disabled children

When will the Course be held?

The course will be held on:

- Wednesday 30th September 2009 – St Peters – 09:30-16.30 (Coffee/Registration from 9:00)
- Tuesday 23rd March 2010 – New Mill – 09:30-16.30 (Coffee/Registration from 9:00)

How do I apply?

Contact your Agency Training Representative who is

_____ Telephone _____

The BSCB welcomes participants from Agencies or Organisations who are not part of the BSCB subject to there being a place available but there may be a charge of £50 for booking on/ attending the course.