

Want to join the Safeguarding Children e-Academy?

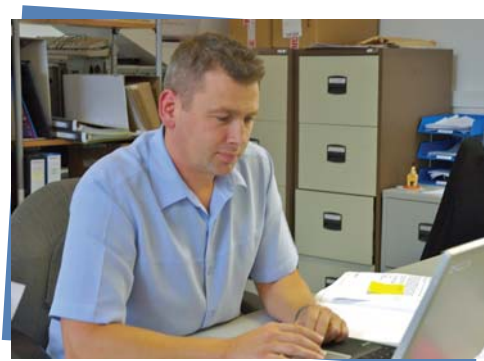
The cost of becoming a member of the **Safeguarding Children e-Academy** is just £5,000 (exc.VAT) per annum, and members need only sign up to 1 year at a time. Included within the membership fee is a licence for up to 1,000 people for the e-learning module, **A Basic Awareness of Child Abuse or Deliberate Harm to a Child**. This represents a training cost of just **£5 per person**, and enables you to target individuals who may not be able to attend your classroom based on training programmes.

Special offer extended until 30th November 2006

Due to popular demand, for organisations joining the e-Academy before the end of November 2006, membership will include access to the first e-learning module for unlimited employees of organisations within the **SCB** umbrella.

As the e-Academy grows there will also be the opportunity to join or Chair **Regional Advisory Panels**, which will feed into the Advisory Panel which is already established.

To secure access to this special offer contact Richard Seddon on 01943 605976, e-mail: info@safeguardingchildrenea.co.uk; or visit www.safeguardingchildrenea.co.uk



Richard Seddon, Business Development Manager

Member Benefits

Members of the e-Academy benefit from a range of services including:

Website - providing access to a range of tools and information including events, news, forums, etc. Feature your own events or news articles here and read about other like-minded organisations.

Virtual Learning Environment - an online learning system for the management of learners, which gives each learner their own unique online learning and evidence record. Track the learners you are reaching and use the auto-reports to keep your board or regional group up-to-date with learner progress.

E-learning resources - **Basic Awareness of Child Abuse or Deliberate Harm to a Child**, Conflict Resolution, Fire Safety etc. Coming soon... **Awareness of Domestic Abuse** and **Runaway Protocols**.

Online assessment, e-tutoring and e-PD - a range of support services to assist you in the implementation of e-learning within your organisation.

14 SCBs join the e-Academy!

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Over the last three months we have been busy contacting the English **Safeguarding Children Boards** (SCBs), to introduce them to the benefits of becoming a member of the e-Academy. As a result we now have 14 members on board:

Bradford, Sheffield, Barnsley, Newcastle, Oldham, Staffordshire, Wakefield, Kirklees, Halton, Dudley, Lincolnshire, South Tyneside, South Tees and Calderdale

Our second Advisory Panel meeting was held in Ilkley on 1st September 06 and all members attended. The next meeting is scheduled for 7th November.

Module roll-out

The members discussed how their "roll-out" programmes for the e-learning module, **Basic Awareness of Child Abuse or Deliberate Harm to a Child**, were progressing.

They commented that the module was **reaching many people who would not have been able to attend a face-to-face training session, either due to time or financial constraints** and also reported that they were using the e-learning module as '**pre-training**' for individuals who were attending a classroom based programme.



SCA Advisory Panel Meeting

New module development

The Advisory Panel voted on which training subject to develop as the next e-module with **An Awareness of Domestic Abuse** coming out in top place. This module is now under development, along with **Runaway Protocols**, and will be presented to the Advisory Panel in storyboard format at the meeting in November.

There are a further 17 topics listed by the members as desirable for development as e-modules. These include **Safe Surfing; Child Protection Law; Common Assessment Framework & Information Sharing**.

For a full list of the topics currently under consideration, or for more information on joining the **Safeguarding Children e-Academy**, contact Richard Seddon on 01943 605976, e-mail: info@safeguardingchildrenea.co.uk; or visit www.safeguardingchildrenea.co.uk

Members take e-Academy forward...

Founding members **Sheffield, Wakefield, South Tyneside, Kirklees** and **Bradford** Safeguarding Children Boards attended implementation days at Virtual College to learn how others have rolled out e-learning as part of their training strategy. The programme included advice and guidance on such areas as marketing, communications, system reporting and achievement recognition.

Eleven **SCB** staff have attended the implementation sessions held at Virtual College's headquarters in Ilkley. All are now building their strategies for roll-out over the next few months



Photo from one of the Implementation Days

Training for Teachers

Neil Stott, who is Assistant Head of Ossett School in Wakefield and delivers safeguarding training both inside the school and to external agencies, stated that he sees the Basic Awareness of Child Abuse module as being beneficial for newly qualified teachers and students on initial teacher training. "We need to educate everyone who comes into contact with children, from the Chair of Governors to Support staff". Neil sees this method of delivery reaching busy professionals who may not be able to take time out of the classroom to attend a face-to-face course.

A third implementation day for new members is planned for Wednesday 22nd November. For further information please contact Lesley Ord on 01943 605976, e-mail:

info@safeguardingchildren.co.uk or visit www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk.

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Members introduced to website

As part of the implementation day, members were also introduced to the e-Academy website www.safeguardingchildren.co.uk. In addition to an overview of the e-Academy itself, the website contains information on the members, strategies for implementing e-learning and information of specific interest to those working within the safeguarding arena.

The events area allows e-Academy, member and other relevant events to be publicised. If you are a member and would like to feature your **SCB** events, please submit the details of your event in the event page or contact Lesley Ord on 01943 605976, e-mail: info@safeguardingchildren.co.uk. Similarly, if you have a news story, feel free to submit it through the propose news section, or contact Lesley.

Over time the site will be further developed and members have already suggested a research link which stores relevant research and report data that members can easily access.

Enhancements to module

Local policies and procedures

In order to improve flexibility of the **Basic Awareness of Child Abuse** module, to include the appropriate policies and procedures of each **SCB**, the Advisory Panel decided that the final

page of the material will include logos of each **SCB**. The learner will be able to click on the logo which will then take them to the appropriate page of their **SCB's** website, where their particular policies and procedures will be downloadable.



Screenshot from SCA portal

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