

ADVANCED SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN (LEVEL 2)

COURSE CONTENT OVERVIEW

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If you work with children frequently within your job role then it's essential that you have an in-depth knowledge of safeguarding practices and procedures. This Advanced Safeguarding Children course aims to build upon your current child protection knowledge by helping you to understand more about recognising risks and reporting concerns.

The course also provides you with additional information on the safeguarding structure, what the law says and what happens when a referral is made to social care so that you can appreciate more about the roles that different professionals play in the safeguarding process.

Module One: Introduction to Safeguarding

This module provides a reminder of why safeguarding training is so important, looking at some notable child protection cases and outlining what your main responsibilities are.

- Defining safeguarding
- Statistics
- Victoria Climbié
- Peter Connolly
- Who has responsibilities?
- What the law says
- Your responsibilities

Module Two: The Safeguarding Structure

This module introduces the safeguarding structure, describing what each level of the structure means and providing relevant examples.

- The single assessment process
- Low level needs
- Emerging needs
- Complex needs
- Child protection concerns
- Which stage is appropriate?

Module Three: Identifying Abuse

This module looks at the potential warning signs associated with each category of abuse and introduces the concepts of 'children in need' and 'significant' harm.

- Categories of child abuse
- Physical abuse
- Emotional abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Neglect
- The Children Act 1989
- Children in need
- Significant harm

Module Four: Recognising Risks

This module introduces the idea of recognising risks and identifying the factors in a child's life that may have the potential to cause them harm. The module looks at what the potential risks may be and how you can assess the impact that they may have.

- Where risks come from
- Factors that increase risk
- Recognising high risk situations
- Assessing whether the child is at risk from harm

Module Five: Reporting Your Concerns

This module provides a reminder of how to report a concern, including who to report to and what to say, and looks at what happens after a referral to social care is made by the Designated Safeguarding Person.

- How to report a concern
- Who to report to
- When to report a concern
- Checking existing records
- Talking to the child's parents
- Referrals to social care
- How is a referral made?
- Following up a referral
- Social care's decision
- What to do if you don't agree with the decision
- What happens next

Module Six: What Happens After a Referral

This module outlines what happens in the safeguarding process once a referral to social care has been made and when it has been decided that action needs to be taken to protect the child. The module provides an overview of each step in the process and looks at how social care concludes cases.

- Early Help Assessments
- Statutory assessments under the Children Act 1989
- The strategy discussion
- Section 47 enquiries
- Child Protection Conferences
- Child Protection Plans
- The review conference
- Discontinuing the plan

Aims of the Training

By the end of this course you will:

- Remember what is meant by 'safeguarding' and why learning about safeguarding children is so important.
- Refresh your knowledge about how to identify the indicators and warning signs of abuse.
- Understand which children are likely to be most at risk from abuse and know how to recognise and assess risks.
- Have knowledge of the role that social care plays in the safeguarding process.
- Know how a referral to social care is made and understand more about the possible responses to a referral.
- Have an awareness of the safeguarding structure and recognise the different levels of support a child may receive.
- Understand what happens in the process after a referral is made, including information on assessments, the child protection conference and child protection plans.