

# DoLS: a new beginning? Understanding the Law Commission's replacement for DoLS



## Aims:

This half day course aims to provide a detailed overview and analysis of the Law Commissions recent proposals and draft legislation to replace DoLS with the Liberty Protection Safeguards. It will consider the potential impact of the proposals on individuals, professionals and organisations.

## Learning outcomes:

- Consider the Law Commission report and draft legislation
- Examine the differences between current DoLS procedures and the proposed ones for the Liberty Protection Safeguards
- Discuss the potential impact on individuals, social care and health professionals and local authorities and NHS bodies

## Programme:

- The Law Commission proposals to replace DoLS
- Key changes and their impact –individual, professional and strategic
- Widening the scope of DoLS? – age, location, mental disorder
- Things that remain the same or similar
- Rights and protection – advocacy, appeals, reviews
- New responsibilities and duties – CCGs and NHS Trusts
- Community deprivation of liberty – changes
- The role of the independent reviewer
- The new assessments required and the procedures
- Best Interests Assessors – new name and limitations on role
- Numbers of people affected – now and in the future?
- Funding – issues to consider for local authorities and NHS bodies

The course will be delivered by  
**Steven Richards**

Steven is a specialist advisor on the Mental Capacity Act with the Care Quality Commission and a Mental Health Act Reviewer with the Commission. He is a Director of Edge Training and Consultancy and has worked in the mental health field for over 20 years, both for the NHS and voluntary sector. He has been an in-patient advocate for Mind and as an advocate represented directly before the Court of Protection. Steven is co-author of three books:

- Working with the Mental Capacity Act 2005 - 2nd edition (ISBN: 978-0-9552349-3-4)
- Working with the Mental Health Act – 3rd edition (ISBN: 978-0-9552349-4-1)
- Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Handbook – 1st edition (ISBN: 978-0-9931324-0-7)

He also co-authors several wall charts on the Acts and an App on the Mental Capacity Act.



### Date

9th October 2017 (half day course)



### Time

Morning session 09:30 to 12:30  
Afternoon session 13:30 to 16:30



### Venue

Central London EC1  
(Nearest Underground station  
Barbican/Old Street)

## Booking details

**Places are limited so early booking is recommended**

To book and pay online go to



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For a booking form go to <http://www.edgetraining.org.uk/training-events.php>

### Cost

£70 + VAT (£84) including all course materials, certificate and refreshments.