

Best Interests Assessors Report Writing Course

Aims:

This course is targeted specifically at qualified Best Interests Assessors (BIAs) and aims to provide them with the knowledge and skills needed to ensure robust and legally defensible assessments under the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguarding (DoLS)

Learning outcomes:

- To consider what evidence to present to meet the legal requirements of DoLS.
- To understand the latest case law as it applies to DoLS and how to apply this to BIA assessments.
- To be able to use the combined assessment form (form 3) for BIAs effectively

Programme:

- The latest MCA and DoLS news
- No refusals assessment – what to record
- Continuous supervision and control & not to free to leave in detail
- The person is deprived of their liberty– what to record
- Best interests – what to record to meet the requirements of the statutory checklist
- It is necessary to deprive the person of their liberty in this way in order to prevent harm to the person - what to record
- Depriving the person of their liberty in this way is a proportionate response – what to record
- Benefits and burdens analysis – how to use and what to record
- Selecting a representative – the eligibility criteria and what to record
- Setting the maximum authorisation period - justifying the maximum authorisation period
- Setting conditions – what to consider and how to record
- DoLS assessment of capacity – the decision and general principles
- Recording the capacity assessment

The course will be delivered by
Piers McNeil

Piers McNeil is an independent social worker specialising in the Mental Capacity Act 2005, Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards and Adult Safeguarding. He has 13 years' experience in a range of adult social care fields, including: Learning Disability, Physical Disability, and Older People's Mental Health. Piers is a qualified DoLS Best Interests Assessor and prior to becoming independent, held several senior local authority positions specialising in the Mental Capacity Act and Adult Safeguarding. Piers is passionate about demystifying the MCA and empowering others to use it effectively. He has led practice forums for Best Interests Assessors and has designed and delivered training to a range of audiences.

 **Date**
23rd June 2017

 **Time**
10:00am to 4:00pm

 **Venue**
Central London EC1
(closest underground stations
Old Street/Barbican)

Booking details

Places are limited so early booking is recommended.

For a booking form and invoice go to

[http://www.edgetraining.org.uk/
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OR to book and pay online go to

 EventBrite.co.uk and

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Cost

£130 + VAT (£156) including
all course materials, certificate
and refreshments.