

Child Protection and Disability

Training Resources

Training resources for the Child Protection and Disability Toolkit have been developed in line with the National Framework for Child Protection Learning and Development in Scotland (published in 2012), with consideration given to the needs of the general, specific and intensive contact child protection workforce.



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These resources include material developed by the Ministerial Working Group and recommendations for resources available from other organisations.

General contact workforce

Basic awareness training in child protection available online from Perth and Kinross Child Protection Committee is recommended as this includes appropriate references to issues for disabled children and parents:

<http://bit.ly/Qp4KP0>

Perth and Kinross CPC have also generously indicated that they will permit other CPCs to rebrand and replicate their course if they wish.

Specific and intensive contact workforce

For the specific and intensive contact workforce, a 3-module practitioner training course has been developed. It comprises the aims and objectives of the course, PowerPoint presentations, a quiz, case studies, guidance notes for trainers, recommended further reading (all included in the toolkit CD) and a DVD of disabled parents describing their experience. The course covers the context of disability and child protection, protecting disabled children and working with disabled parents. It is recommended that this course is delivered to mixed discipline groups and, preferably, to both those who work in children's and families' services and those who work in disability services. Though the full course is recommended, it is designed so that each module is self-standing.

Manager training course

A manager training course has also been developed (also included in the CD). This comprises the aims and objectives of the course, a PowerPoint presentation, guidance notes for trainers and reading list. It is recommended for a mixed discipline group of managers, both first tier and more senior, giving an overview of the main issues for both disabled children and parents and some of the management challenges that arise.

The format of both the practitioner and manager courses would allow trainers to tailor the material for their particular audience and add in local information if desired.

NSPCC training pack

The NSPCC training pack, Safeguarding Deaf and Disabled Children, provides a number of scenarios on DVD which could be used as further illustration on the practitioner and manager courses (indications of what could be used at particular points are given in the presentations). The full pack is recommended for the intensive contact workforce with guidance as to some particular aspects which refer to English rather than Scottish procedure and legislation. The pack is available for purchase from:

<http://bit.ly/mC2vmH>

For those who wish to explore further the issues of communicating with disabled children and young people, the training pack, Two Way Street, produced by Triangle and the NSPCC with support from Joseph Rowntree Foundation is recommended. This is a video with supporting handbook offering information and advice, particularly suited to the intensive contact workforce. The pack is also available for purchase from:

<http://bit.ly/1p9wTcx>

For additional information on any of the materials listed above please visit the WithScotland training resources page: withscotland.org/exchanging-training-resources