

Children and young people who have displayed harmful sexual behaviour

One-day course

£850 + VAT for 6 to 25 participants



Who is this course for?

This course is for professionals across education, health (primary care, mental health, health visiting, sexual health), children's social care, prisons, probation, police, adoption services, fostering services and any other relevant services in contact with children, young people, parent(s) or carer(s).

About the course

Working effectively with children who have engaged in harmful sexual behaviour – sexual discussions or acts that are inappropriate for their age or stage of development – can be challenging, complex and emotional. This one-day course is designed to help professionals respond to and manage this behaviour, and to provide effective support to both the child(ren) and their parent(s) or carer(s). It will focus on effective assessment and intervention.

What you can expect to learn

- An improved ability to identify whether sexual behaviour is developmentally appropriate, problematic or harmful.
- A greater understanding of the prevalence of harmful sexual behaviour.
- A better understanding of the possible pathways to harmful sexual behaviour.
- Greater confidence in identifying and responding to concerns of harmful sexual behaviour.
- Greater confidence in developing robust and effective safety plans to manage harmful sexual behaviour.
- Greater confidence in supporting non-abusing family members to respond to, and effectively manage, harmful sexual behaviour.

Additional resources

- PowerPoint slides for attendees to refer back to and keep for reflection.
- List of resources for parents and carers regarding harmful sexual behaviour.
- List of resources to aid assessment and intervention.
- Safety planning frameworks for home and school.
- A digital copy of *Signs and Indicators: A Template for Identifying and Responding to Concerns of Child Sexual Abuse*.
- A digital copy of *Communicating with Children: A Guide for Those Working with Children Who Have or May Have Been Sexually Abused*.
- A digital copy of *Supporting Parents and Carers: A Guide for Those Working with Families Affected by Child Sexual Abuse*.
- References and resources list.

What past attendees said about this course

“The trainer was very knowledgeable, and the training was well delivered with chance to talk to others and share experiences and opinions. The links for further guidance will be very useful.”

Pastoral/attendance officer – primary school

“Thank you so much for organising the training. It was exactly what we needed and was excellent in every way.”

Head of Pre-Prep/Designated Safeguarding Lead

“I feel I would be more equipped to support a child and family.”

Tenancy officer

“Really interesting to learn about and so, so helpful for my practice being a newly qualified social worker.”

Children’s social worker

“I have worked in this area for a few years before my social work training. This was really helpful to build on my knowledge with new developments.”

Social worker

