

Course Title: Being Part Of The Team – Multi-Agency Working in Residential and Foster Care

Trainers

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Chris is currently working as a consultant, freelance trainer, and also chairs a fostering panel. She provides training and support for a number of fostering agencies, and local authorities.

Peter Sadler is a teacher, trainer and facilitator with more than thirty years experience in the field. He was instrumental in setting up one of the first Behaviour Support Services in the country outside London, and is committed to working in a research based and reflective way.

Aims and Objectives:

A major responsibility for residential and foster carers is to work as part of a team. Carers are required to work closely with other professionals for the sake of those in their care. What are the implications of this? What are the pitfalls? The course addresses these issues.

Target Audience:

Residential care workers, foster carers and others with a professional role in caring for children and young people.

Teaching Method:

The course is reflective and experiential, drawing on the skills of the trainers and the participants. It includes Powerpoint presentation, group and paired discussion and activities.

Numbers:

Up to a maximum of 24 participants

Duration:

Whole day (0930 to 1630 with breaks)

Course Synopsis:

The 'components' and the roles of the care team are examined, including the child or young person, birth family, Courts, social workers, education staff and health professionals. The importance of the team working together is stressed, along with examination of some common difficulties.