

COURSE TITLE: AN OVERVIEW OF 'SUBSTANCE MISUSE'

Trainer:

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Aims ::

To give a concise overview of current drugs law and policy and the pathways through substance misuse services.

To understand key points on the responsibilities of substance misuse professionals and the clinical guidance that is adhered to.

To recognise the impact of substance use (including alcohol) and patterns of misuse.

To understand and respond to risk pertinent to the sector, including impact on mental health, physical health, offending and families (vicarious and overt risk to children).

The course is designed to be introductory and the key themes will be introduced. Advanced training on the key factors of risk, policy and clinical impact are available.

Duration of Course:

One whole day (9.30 - 4.30 with breaks)

Numbers:

Ideally between 12 and 20 participants

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quality health and social care training

Target Audience:

Any professionals engaged in work with people who have substance use issues (including alcohol), in both the statutory and voluntary sectors. The course would also be of value to practitioners in other agencies who may be referring to or jointly working with substance users.

Teaching Method:

Comprehensive Powerpoint presentation and other visual aids, combined with group exercises and interactive work with course participants.

The course is supported by hard copy materials and pointers towards further reading and research.

Course Synopsis:

An introductory course dealing in broad terms with -

- The law and policy on substance misuse
- The range of substances and their impact (including alcohol)
- Patterns of misuse
- Substance misuse and offending
- Substance misuse and mental health
- Substance misuse and child protection
- Treatment regimes and comparison of outcomes