

Length of course: 1 day

Max number of delegates: 16

Target Audience:

Family practitioners, social workers and anyone working within Children's social care.

Rationale for course:

A one day course to demonstrate how analytical writing requires an assessment of the weight given to information gathered, drawing on knowledge from research, experience and practice, combined with the service users' needs within the family or the context in which they live. The course aims to improve delegates' confidence in understanding what is relevant and meaningful, and how to write it down in an effective way.

Outcomes of training:

By the end of the training session delegates will be able to:

- Understand the process of analysis
- Understand what a fact is, what an 'issue' is, and what a judgement is
- Give weight to the relevance of information
- Use chronologies
- Work out what information might be telling you
- Make sense of the information to form a clear plan of action
- How to write analytical reports specific to Children's Social Care

Teaching Methods:

This course will incorporate a mixture of teaching methods i.e. PowerPoint, presentations, casework, group exercises, group discussions etc.

About the trainer:

Andrei Szerard has been a qualified barrister for over 22 years. He has practised in all areas of criminal and family law, conducting cases at the Old Bailey, the Court of Appeal and the High Court in London. He has extensive experience of, and interest in, child protection and is also a highly popular and sought after trainer, combining his extensive legal experience and knowledge with an innovative and stimulating training style. Andrei provides training in Court Skills, Statement Writing, Analytical Report Writing, Age Assessments, Power of Attorney, Expert Witness within a Children's Social Care setting.

Testimonials

"This course should be made mandatory" (Social Worker, East Midlands)

"Valuable information which will enable me to be a good witness." (Social Worker, Nottinghamshire)

"Extremely informative and interesting. Very thought provoking" (Social Worker, Durham)

"The course left me feeling more confident and able in acquitting myself in a court situation and demystified a lot of the process" (Social Worker Nottingham)