

# Early Help – Role of the Lead Professional and Chair

**Course Description:** Many people are confident about working with children and their families. However, once a "need" is identified and assessed as part of the Early Help process a key worker is required to step forward as Lead Professional. This role can be daunting if no one has explained what is involved. Managing the meeting where the plan can be pivotal to families' aspirations often causes anxiety. This training offers some golden rules and advice about being a lead professional or conducting a meeting as part of the Early Help process.

**Target Group:** This course is aimed at staff in all agencies who may be in contact with children, young people and/or parents/carers who may need to provide support at the Early Help stage of intervention or wish to find out more about the process. This training is for those who wish to increase their skills and confidence when taking on the role of the lead professional or conducting a meeting as part of the Early Help process.

**Training Level:** Additional training

**Pre-Requisite Learning:** We recommend delegates complete the Early Help Record and Plan course before attending this course

## **Aims/Objectives:**

- To equip staff with the knowledge, skills, behaviours and tools to work with children and young people within the Early Help stage of intervention
- Explore the practical application of tools and opportunities to discuss ways of building relationships with families, empowering them to jointly assess their needs and helping them to identify how to move forward to achieve the outcomes necessary
- Explore ways of developing clear and measurable action plans and guidance on the role of the worker who co-ordinates and supports the family with the plan.

**Course Type:** Classroom

**Length of Course:** ½ day

**Valid for:** One off training. Can be repeated as required

**Cost:** £50 to organisations that do not contribute to the Swindon LSCB budget  
£25 for Early Years staff  
Free of charge to all partner agencies

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