

# Sexual Abuse (Recognising and Responding to)\*

**Course Description:** This course aims to increase practitioners' knowledge and confidence in identifying and working with children who are at risk of sexual abuse. The course will focus on intervention, as well as exploring the impact on professionals working with child sexual abuse issues. The course is an introduction to child sexual abuse and its relationship with child protection cases.

**Target Group:** In addition to level 1 training this course is aimed at all staff working in settings who may be in contact with children, young people and/or parents/carers who may become aware of possible abuse or neglect. Those undertaking this course will need to have completed Child Protection Level One Training.

**Training Level:** Level 2/3 (suitable for update training)

**Pre-Requisite Learning:** We recommend delegates complete child protection training at Level 1 or 2 before attending this course

## **Aims/Objectives:**

- Identify the stages of sexual development throughout childhood.
- Be able to identify the signs and indicators of child sexual abuse.
- Develop skills in responding to allegations and disclosures of sexual abuse.
- Develop an understanding of the child's perspective on abuse and the emotional impact on them, as well as the wider family.
- Develop an understanding of the issues relating to the abuser and the theoretical perspectives on child sexual abuse.
- Identify the principles for intervention and how to respond to child sexual abuse.
- Consider the impact of working with child sexual abuse on your own professional practice

**Course Type:** Classroom

**Length of Course:** 1 day

**Valid for:** Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) and any deputies within schools and early years settings, need their training to be updated every 2 years in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education Guidance 2016. For all other staff, the LSCB recommends that child protection training is refreshed every three years

**Cost:** £100 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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