

## Level 2 Child Protection

### Staff Groups - attendees may include:

- Pharmacists
- Ambulance staff
- Dentists and dental care practitioners
- Audiologists and opticians
- Adult physicians, surgeons, radiologists, nurses working in adult acute/community services (including practice nurses)
- Teachers
- Staff from housing providers,
- Youth services
- Child minders
- Foster carers
- Residential care settings
- Leisure services
- Faith groups
- Voluntary organisations

In addition to Level 1, Level 2 training is required for staff, working **frequently** with parents, children or young people.

At Level 2, LSCB courses are multi-agency and have a focus on the skills, knowledge and behaviours required for inter-agency working. NB some agencies also deliver their own Level 2 training, however these are single agency programmes.

Building on skills gained at Level 1 training, Level 2 looks at practitioner's awareness of their roles and responsibilities and those of other agencies, working with families, to safeguard children and young people.

### Level 2; Core Competencies

- As outlined for Level 1; plus
- Uses professional and clinical knowledge, and understanding of what constitutes child maltreatment, to identify any signs of child abuse or neglect
- Acts as an effective advocate for the child or young person
- Recognises the potential impact of a parent's/carer's physical and mental health on the well-being of a child or young person
- Clear about own and colleagues' roles, responsibilities, and professional boundaries
- Able to refer as appropriate to role to social care if a safeguarding/child protection concern is identified
- Documents safeguarding/child protection concerns in order to be able to inform the relevant staff and agencies as necessary, maintains appropriate record keeping, and differentiates between fact and opinion
- Shares appropriate and relevant information with other teams
- Competences should be reviewed annually as part of staff appraisal in conjunction with individual learning and development plan

### After completing training at Level 2 delegates will:

- Gain knowledge outlined at Level 1; plus
- Demonstrate an awareness of the need to alert other professionals and universal services of concerns
- Demonstrate accurate documentation of concerns
- Demonstrate an ability to recognise and describe a significant event in child protection/safeguarding to the most appropriate professional or local team