

Level 3 Child Protection

Staff Groups - attendees may include:

- Staff who complete Section 47 enquiries
- GPs
- Mental health staff (adult and CAMHS)
- Child psychologists and psychotherapists
- Adult learning disability staff
- Designated officers in education settings
- Police
- Health professionals working in substance misuse services
- Youth offending team staff
- Sexual health staff
- Health visitors and School nurses
- Social workers
- All children's nurses, midwives, child psychologists, obstetricians
- All paediatricians
- Those who work with complex cases / co-ordinate assessments of children in need

In addition to Level 1 and 2 training, Level 3 is for all staff working with children, young people and/or their parents/carers who could potentially contribute to assessing, planning, intervening and evaluating the needs of a child or young person and parenting capacity where there are safeguarding/child protection concerns.

Building on learning gained from training at level 1 and 2, training at level 3 aims to provide delegates with an enhanced understanding of the knowledge and skills required to work together within the processes for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children in complex and challenging situations.

Level 3; Core Competencies

- As outlined for Level 1 and 2; plus
- Contributes to inter-agency assessments, the gathering and sharing of information and where appropriate analysis of risk
- Undertakes regular documented reviews of own (and/or team) safeguarding/child protection practice as appropriate to role (in various ways, such as through audit, case discussion, peer review, and supervision and as a component of refresher training)
- Draws on child and family-focused clinical and professional knowledge and expertise of what constitutes child maltreatment, to identify signs of sexual, physical, or emotional abuse or neglect
- Will have professionally relevant core and case specific clinical competencies
- Document concerns relating to safeguarding/child protection and legal processes
- Contributes to serious case reviews/case management reviews/significant case reviews, and child death review processes
- Works with other professionals and agencies, with children, young people and their families when there are safeguarding concerns
- Advises others on appropriate information sharing

After completing training at Level 3 delegates will:

- Gain knowledge outlined at Level 1 and 2; plus
- Demonstrate knowledge of patterns and indicators of child maltreatment
- Demonstrate knowledge of the function of LSCBs
- Demonstrate understanding of information sharing in relation to child protection and children in need
- Demonstrates an ability to assess risk and need and instigates processes for appropriate interventions