

Child Protection POCA

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) recommends that all staff attend regular training for the Protection of Children POCA as accepted good practice. This programme can be completed as an introductory course or an update.



This course aims to raise awareness of the abuse and the different forms in which it can occur. It is designed to provide guidance, in line with workplace policy, on the actions that should be taken if abuse is disclosed or suspected. This is an emotive and distressing subject and relevant to everyone who may come into contact with children either at work, at home or both

This half day course covers the following:

- Legislation and Organisational policies and procedures
- Being alert to protection of Children and Child Abuse
- Company's Child protection officer's responsibilities
- Definitions of abuse and potential indicators
- Handling Disclosure
- Bullying, Reporting procedures, correct recording of documentation and the POCA list
- Review of case studies



Training methods: Lectures, case studies, scenarios and group discussions DVD documentary study. Students will take away with them a comprehensive course handout.

Assessment is a thorough observation of practical elements (scenarios) and can be a written paper or multi choice which is marked by the Tutor and then verified by an assessor, for Quality Assurance purposes. To gain a certificate a course mark in excess of 80% is required. On successful completion of the course, students will receive a Certificate which will remain valid for one year from date of issue.

Employers will receive all necessary paperwork to provide an auditable paper trail