

Skills4U Training & Consultancy



LEVEL 1 - Child Protection Awareness

A must for anyone who works with children. An ideal one day introduction to the basics of child protection. Child abuse and neglect are realities in our communities. The workshop looks at what child abuse is, how to spot potential signs of abuse, how to respond if a child confides in you and the steps that can be taken to safeguard their welfare. Skills4U certificate awarded.

Who is this course for? Anyone who works with children: for instance, project workers, youth departments, youth programmes, family support, hostel workers, child minders, parent and toddler groups, play groups, workers in the community, church leaders, volunteers and teachers... in fact anyone who wants to understand the importance of child protection awareness.

Course Benefits This course provides an introduction to child protection and will help you to recognise and know what to do if you believe that a child is at risk. The course aims to define child protection, looks at signs of abuse and neglect and provides information on reporting strategies. It also covers: how to make your working environment safe for children, including safe practices; what to do if you believe that a child is at risk; who to approach or report to; what actions to take and which legislation applies in this area. The course includes a step-by-step toolkit to help you work towards good practice including staff recruitment and human resources policies. Broaden your knowledge of child protection issues now, spot warning signs, know how to report concerns and understand your role.

Course outline

10:00 – 10:15	Arrival / Coffee
10:15 - 11:15	Welcome & introductions What is child protection? Definitions Types of abuse and protection
11:15 - 11:30	Break
11:30 - 12:30	Finding out about abuse What can you do? How do you feel?
12:30 - 1:15	Lunch
1:15 - 2:15	Protecting children - and you Responding and reporting Working with others CRB disclosures, policies & procedures Case studies
2:15 – 2:30	Break
2:30 - 3:00	Have we covered everything? Where you go from here Wrap-up, Useful books, links and contacts

