Module 1b - MCA 2005: Assessing Mental Capacity

Time: 13:30am – 16.30pm

Refreshments will be served during the afternoon.

Duration: Half-day

Target group:
Open to all levels of staff from all social & health care organisations in Kent including KCC, Medway Council, Primary Care & Acute Trusts, KMPT, Private Voluntary & Independent [PVI] sector, Police & Ambulance services.

Course Objectives:

- Participants to understand how to assess mental capacity using the two-stage test.

Learning Outcomes:

- Participants will know when and how to undertake the two-stage mental capacity test in a range of contexts;
- Participants will be able to carry out effective, evidenced-based assessments of mental capacity.

Approach:

A combination of specific teaching input including relevant case law, case studies, group work and experiential learning. This requires a high level of participation, energy and focus from participants. Participants are expected to use the opportunity to share their knowledge and experiences around working with young people and adults.

Legislative and Policy Framework:

- Mental Capacity Act 2005;
- The Human Rights Act 1998;
- Risk Management Policy for staff carrying out community care assessments;
- Kent and Medway Multi-agency Adult Protection Policy, Protocols and Guidance;

Facilitator:
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