

Child Protection Training Day – Report Writing and Preparation for Court

Date: Tuesday 20th February 2024

Time: 09:00-17.00 (in-person)

Venue: Pharmacology Seminar Room, Block B, 2nd floor, Room 114, UHW, Cardiff

Target audience: ST4 – ST8 paediatric trainees

Number of spaces available: maximum 30

Cost: free of charge (funded by HEIW with hopefully lunch included)

The course aims to develop your report writing skills, focusing on the conclusion of a report and the key information that should be included. The training will be delivered by Consultant Community Paediatricians and a Barrister from 9 Park Place Chambers in Cardiff, all with extensive experience in Child Protection. There will be a mixture of presentations, small-group discussions and a practical court exercise (simulated cross-examinations by the barrister).

Once you return your registration form and have email confirmation that you are enrolled on the course you will be sent the pre-course reading material and preparatory work. This will include writing a conclusion only for a mock Child Protection report provided to you with the pre-course reading material. Conclusions will need to be returned in advance of the course to allow the barrister time to review them.

You will need to come to the training day prepared for the fact that you may be selected for cross-examination by the barrister (although of course there will not be enough time to cross-examine everyone). Although this seems quite daunting, please be re-assured that the barrister is very nice, the group will be a maximum of 30 trainees, and this will be a fantastic opportunity for you to prepare for Court in a friendly, supportive environment.

To book a space please complete this form and return to me, Fiona Astill, by email to fiona.astill@wales.nhs.uk with a subject heading of Court Skills.

Please note this course is aimed at registrars and places will be given on a 1st come, 1st served basis. If there are more applicants than places, you will be placed on a waiting list and contacted if a place becomes available. If you are not yet ST4 but are interested, please complete the details below and I will contact you nearer the time if there are spaces available.

Full Name:

Grade:

Email:

Hospital:

Tel number:

Dietary requirements: