

Child Protection Training for Designated Liaison Persons



“The designated liaison person (DLP) should be knowledgeable about child protection and should be provided with any training considered necessary to fulfil this role. The DLP is responsible for ensuring that reporting procedures within your organisation are followed, so that child welfare and protection concerns are referred promptly to Tusla” (Children First 2017, pg. 35 & 36)



Overview

This training will equip you with the knowledge and skills required to effectively perform the role of Designated Liaison Person.

Participants must have completed one day Children First Child Protection Training in the past 3 years. A strong working knowledge of Children First 2017 is required



Method

The course will involve presentation, case studies and group exercises.

Group discussions will help you work through the elements of the Designated Liaison Person role, including supporting staff, managing anxieties and ensuring child protection and welfare referrals are made to the relevant statutory services.

Duration: 1 Day

Time: 9.30am - 5pm

Group Size: Max 16



Materials

This training is based on current legislation, national guidance and best practice outlined in *Children First 2017, the Children First Act 2015* and the *Child Care Act 1991*.

Participants receive a Certificate of Attendance.



Outcomes

Participants will be able to:

- Recognise their legal responsibilities in relation to child protection
- Recognise the signs and symptoms of abuse
- Explain the role of the designated liaison person in supporting staff and managing child protection situations
- Demonstrate how to speak with parents effectively when child protection concerns arise
- Describe how to deal with allegations of abuse against staff members
- Identify best practice in relation to child protection recording and reporting
- State organisational responsibilities re; child safeguarding