



# COURSE OUTLINE

**COURSE TITLE:** Appropriate Adult

**COURSE LEVEL:** 3

**DURATION:** One day

## Introduction

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The role of the Appropriate Adult is important in protecting the rights of vulnerable young people and adults. It is strongly recommended that anyone who takes on the role is trained before doing so. This one day training covers all the basic requirements and provides opportunity to discuss the issues.

## Benefits of Attending

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Attending the police station as a vulnerable adult can be daunting in many ways. Firstly because it is a stressful environment and because you are required to know how to act and what to do and secondly because your role is to protect the rights of vulnerable children, young people and adults. The course provides good information and clear guidance as well as giving learners a chance to discuss some of the more value laden issues around youth offending and criminal justice system.

## Programme Highlights

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- An introduction to the criminal justice system, PACE and the Appropriate Adult
- An introduction to the work of youth offending teams, working with young people, the police and solicitors
- An in depth look at the role of the Appropriate Adult before, during and after the interview and a look at various issues arising during these interviews
- An opportunity to spend time looking at some of the more complex specific issues that arise during the work and the issues around your rights and on-going support

## Who Should Attend

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Any worker who may be required to attend the police station to act as an Appropriate Adult

## Special Notes

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## Appropriate Adult training

Introductions. (15 mins)

### Session 1. (1 hour) Understanding Youth offending

- A basic introduction to the Criminal Justice System and PACE
- Young people in the criminal justice system. Youth offending
- Working with young people in the criminal justice system.

Coffee. (15 mins)

### Session 2. (1 hour) Introduction to being an Appropriate Adult

- The role of the Appropriate Adult.
- Home Office Guidance. Youth Justice Board
- Confidentiality, information sharing, health and safety etc.

Lunch (1 hour)

### Session 3. (1 hour) Working with the police and other professionals

- Appropriate adult role before, during and after interview
- Working with parents before, during and after the interview
- Issues around bail, remand and custody. Finger prints, searches and charging

Coffee (15 mins)

### Session 4. (1 hour) Working with specific issues and on-going support

- An introduction to mental health issues (for young person and adult schemes)
- Other issues. Unscheduled court appearances and serious cases
- Support and supervision issues. Your rights. Further training

Any Questions (15 mins)

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