



## Parenting Capacity – Working with Parents with a Learning Disability

### Introduction

This course will examine the impact a learning disability has on the capacity of parents to safely and effectively care for their children

### Who is the training for?

Core training for managers and staff in all agencies with a particular responsibility for safeguarding children

Specialist training for anyone working with families where this is relevant

### Attendance Criteria

Introduction to Safeguarding

Working Together

### Aims

To provide an overview of the issues relating to working with parents and carers who have a learning disability and the impact this can have on their children. The course aims to dispel the myths and fears relating to this area of work, thus improving inter-agency collaboration and outcomes for families where learning disability is an issue

### Learning Objectives

By the end of the course participants will be able to:

- Understand the difference between learning difficulty and learning disability
- Apply their understanding of parenting capacity and how this affects meeting the needs of children
- State what is meant by 'good enough' parenting and how this impacts on children's needs
- Identify the aspects of family life which can be affected when a parent has a learning disability
- Develop an empowering way of working with parents who have a learning disability that promotes protective parenting and a meeting of children's needs