



Eligibility Criteria for ABE Foundation and Joint Child Abuse Investigative Skills Course



As this course includes an assessment with a competent or not competent element we want to ensure social workers are suited to the training. In consultation with the London Safeguarding Children Board we have developed this eligibility criterion to assist boroughs in their selection. If you are in doubt or think that a social worker is suited but doesn't meet all the requirements please do not hesitate to contact Ian Dean, London Board manager, at ian.dean@londoncouncils.gov.uk.

Criteria

- Candidates need to be working in children and families
- Have at least 6 months post qualifying child protection experience prior to attending the Foundation course
- Agree to attend the Joint Child Abuse Investigative Course within 12 months of successfully completing the ABE foundation course
- Read chapter 2 of the ABE guidance prior to attending the foundation course

Preferable but not essential

- Observed an ABE interview
- Experience of Court work and giving evidence

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