



Training for advisers, legal practitioners and others working in the field of social welfare rights

Training Programme 2015–2016

Law Centre (NI)



INTRODUCTION

DEVELOPING COURSES THROUGH FEEDBACK AND PARTNERSHIP

This programme has been developed to meet the needs of our member agencies. Courses are designed and adapted to cover changes in law or complex areas of legal advice work.

Feedback from members and others who have attended training is reflected in the design and delivery of courses for 2015–16. We have introduced new courses to reflect issues on which members have sought advice from us.

This year, we are also offering more flexibility with lunch and learn (12.30pm–2pm) and half day sessions 10am to 1pm or 1pm to 4pm) as well as our normal full day (10am–4pm) sessions.

We discussed proposed content and timing with Citizens Advice and Advice NI through a training working group. This provided assurance that our programme is responding to the needs of the advice sector and that we are focusing on complementary work.

SPECIAL OFFERS*

***Please note: these offers do not apply to Welfare Rights Adviser Programme or to Representing in Social Security Tribunals: Essential Skills. Only one discount can be applied per booking.**

Early Bird bookings: 10% reduction

Most Law Centre courses can now be booked early to receive a special 10% Early Bird reduction. To avail of this discount, you must book and pay at least six weeks before the course is due to be delivered.

Multiple bookings: 10% reduction

We also offer a 10% reduction for three or more course bookings (either on individual courses or on the same course).

Individual course offers

We often run special offer prices on individual courses. Please view our website to keep up to date with reduced pricing on specific courses.

MEMBERS BENEFITS

In addition to the above discounts, all our courses are offered at a discount rate for our members.

In order to improve access to our courses for member organisations with limited means, we will offer, on a case by case basis, an additional place to members who have staff or volunteers attending, provided there are places left at the closing date. Members wishing to take up this opportunity should contact the Law Centre (028 9024 4401) before the course to set out their budget constraints and their need to have staff trained.

ACCESSIBLE VENUES

The courses are held at accessible venues in Belfast and Derry. The vast majority of the Belfast courses are held in the Law Centre Central Office in Donegall Street. Courses offered in the Western Area are held in a number of venues.

Only venues with suitable facilities are used and all have disabled access.

If you want to discuss particular access needs, please contact Law Centre (NI) on 028 9024 4401.

SPECIALIST TUTORS

Most of the training courses are delivered by our training officer and legal advisers. Our legal advisers deliver training within their own specialist areas of work.

Other specialist trainers are brought in occasionally so that we may benefit from their particular experience.

BESPOKE TRAINING FOR YOUR NEEDS

If we do not offer the course you are looking for, please get in touch. We understand that organisations may want us to deliver a bespoke course to their staff within their own venue from time to time. We have successfully provided external training to groups and agencies in the past.

This type of training is dependent upon personnel and resources but we will always try, where possible, to meet any training request.

HOW TO APPLY

There is an application form in the back pages of this programme (40–41). Course details and application forms for all our courses are also available from our website www.lawcentreni.org.

Application forms should be completed in full and returned by the closing date indicated. **Please pay particular attention to the closing dates, especially for the Welfare Rights Adviser Programme, as late applications may not be considered because of the demand for places.**

Payment must be made either with the application form or within fourteen days upon receipt of invoice. Please indicate on the application form if you require an invoice. Where the offer of a place on a course is accepted, payment must be made by the date indicated on the invoice.

Please note that as the demand for places can be quite high, refunds will not be provided for late cancellation or non-attendance.

CONTACTS AND FURTHER INFORMATION

For further information on our courses, please contact: Law Centre (NI), 124 Donegall Street, Belfast BT1 2GY

Phone: 028 9024 4401. Fax: 028 9023 6340. Email: admin.belfast@lawcentreni.org. Twitter: @LawCentreNI. Or subscribe to the RSS feed on our website for instant notice of upcoming courses.

LEVELS AND QUALIFICATIONS

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS

These descriptors state how much knowledge of a subject or practical experience is required and indicate who would benefit most from a course at that level.

Introductory

No prior knowledge of the subject or specific experience required. Suitable for all advisers and legal practitioners, new or experienced.

Intermediate

Social security courses are suitable for advisers who have attended Welfare Rights Adviser Programme or equivalent courses. For other areas, suitable for advisers and legal practitioners who have gained relevant experience in the subject.

Advanced

Requires at least intermediate level knowledge of the subject and relevant practical experience. Suitable for experienced advice practitioners.

NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL STANDARDS

Law Centre courses are linked to National Occupational Standards (NOS). NOS describe competent performance in terms of outcomes. They allow a clear assessment of competence against nationally agreed standards of performance, across a range of workplace circumstances for all roles.

NOS have been developed for many sectors, including the legal advice sector, to help provide a clear list of the skills and knowledge needed to work in this sector. They can be used to help produce clear and effective training sessions as they help to show most training needs within the legal advice sector. NOS also form the basis of qualifications, most commonly National Vocational Qualifications (NVQs) and Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQs). They are used in the Integrated Competency Framework (ICF).

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

All Law Centre courses count towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal entry requirements to any of the Law Centre training courses. It is assumed that participants will have literacy and numeracy skills consistent with what is required for their advice work.

COURSES ACCREDITED WITH OPEN COLLEGE NETWORK NIWelfare Rights Adviser Programme (WRAP):
Level 2 and Level 3

Tribunal Representation course: Level 4

COURSE LISTINGS

COURSE	LEVEL	DATE	VENUE	PAGE
SOCIAL SECURITY				
Welfare Rights Adviser Programme (8 days)	Introductory	01/10/15	Derry	8
		28/01/16	Belfast	8
Representing in Social Security Tribunals (6 days)	Intermediate/Advanced	19/01/16	Belfast	9
NEW Advising on the Right to Reside for Social Security (1 day)	Intermediate/Advanced	21/03/16	Belfast	9
Challenging Tax Credit Decisions: Overpayments (half day)	Intermediate	30/09/15	Belfast	10
		30/11/15	Derry	10
NEW Personal Independence Payment (half-day)	Introductory	13/10/15	Derry	11
		14/01/16	Belfast	11
NEW PIP: the New Law and Completing the Form (1 day)	Introductory	23/03/16	Belfast	12
		02/12/15	Derry	12
Taking a Case to the Social Security Commissioner (1 day)	Advanced	14/03/16	Belfast	13
NEW Right to Reside for Social Security (half day)	Advanced	16/09/15	Belfast	13
NEW Tribunal Practice and Procedure (1 day)	Intermediate/Advanced	11/03/16	Belfast	14
NEW Mitigation Schemes under the Welfare Reform Bill (half day)	Advanced	07/03/16	Belfast	15
		15/03/16	Derry	15
Enhanced Advocacy Skills for Representation (2 days)	Advanced	08/03/16	Belfast	15
Understanding Universal Credit (1 day)	Introductory/Intermediate	24/03/16	Belfast	16
EMPLOYMENT				
Introduction to Employment Law (2 days)	Introductory/Intermediate	22+24/02/16	Belfast	19
		22+23/03/16	Derry	19
NEW Key Principles of Agency Worker Regs (lunch & learn)	Advanced	09/09/15	Belfast	20
NEW Understanding the Law on Holiday Pay (lunch & learn)	Advanced	01/02/16	Belfast	20
NEW Identifying Legal Issues for Zero Hour/Casual Workers (half day)	Intermediate	15/02/16	Belfast	21
NEW Resolving Employment Disputes (lunch & learn)	Advanced	27/01/16	Belfast	22
NEW Basic Principles of Service Provision Change (half day)	Intermediate	01/03/16	Belfast	22

COURSE	LEVEL	DATE	VENUE	PAGE
HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE – COMMUNITY CARE				
NEW Rights in Health and Social Care: Keys Signposts for Advisers (1 day)	Intermediate	20/08/15	Belfast	23
Advising and Supporting Carers: Overview of the Law (half day)	Intermediate	03/03/16	Belfast	24
NEW Human Rights in Health and Social Care (lunch & learn)	Intermediate	08/12/15	Belfast	25
NEW Older People and Social Care Law (1 day)	Intermediate	09/12/15	Belfast	25
NEW Capacity, Consent, Deprivation of Liberty and the Law (one day)	Intermediate	24/03/16	Belfast	29
NEW Paying for Care: a Guide to Law and Practice (lunch & learn)	Intermediate	25/01/16	Belfast	26
NEW Mental Capacity and Social Care Decision Making: an Overview {lunch & learn}	Intermediate	23/02/16	Belfast	27
NEW Welfare Reform and Social Care: the Impact on Health and Social Care Professionals (half day)	Intermediate	04/03/16 + 30/03/16	Belfast Derry	28 28
HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE – MENTAL HEALTH				
NEW Guardianship under the Mental Health Order: Legal Developments and Looking to the Future (lunch & learn)	Intermediate	29/09/15	Belfast	29
NEW The Role of Nearest Relative in Mental Health: a Guide for Carers (lunch & learn)	Introductory	10/11/15	Belfast	30
Applied Mental Health Law (1 day)	Intermediate	03/12/15	Belfast	31
NEW Understanding and Applying the Law on Deprivation – a Guide for Professionals (half day)	Intermediate	13/01/16	Belfast	32
Mental Health Review Tribunals: Representing Clients (1 day)	Advanced	26/02/16	Belfast	32
NEW Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards in Summary (lunch & learn)	Intermediate	15/03/16	Belfast	33
HUMAN TRAFFICKING				
Child Victims of Human Trafficking	Intermediate	02/02/16	Belfast	34

An **application form** for all our courses can be found on pages 35–36.

Also see www.adviceni.net and www.citizensadvice.co.uk for more training options.

SOCIAL SECURITY

WELFARE RIGHTS ADVISER PROGRAMME – EIGHT DAYS

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

Accredited by Open College Network Northern Ireland (OCNNI), the Welfare Rights Adviser Programme (WRAP) will give you a sound foundation in a broad area of welfare rights.

You will be expected to complete assessed home-study assignments. You will be awarded an OCNNI certificate on successful completion of coursework.

The course uses blended learning, with extra notes, links and materials available on the Law Centre's WRAP website. This will help you with flexible learning and allow you to update your knowledge at all times.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Introductory

Mapped to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB19 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice

Accredited by OCNNI at level 2 and level 3

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is for new and/or inexperienced advice workers.

WHERE

WHEN

Derry Thursday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 October and 5, 12, 19 November 2015
10am to 4pm

Belfast Thursday 28 January, 4, 11, 18, 25 February, 3 and 10 and 17 March 2016
10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£250.00	Non-members voluntary	£430.00
Members statutory/private	£430.00	Non-members statutory/private	£620.00

Participants who complete this course will be entitled to a free place on the two-day Employment Law course in 2015 or 2016 (see page 22).

CPD

This course counts as 40 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

REPRESENTING IN SOCIAL SECURITY TRIBUNALS: ESSENTIAL SKILLS – SIX DAYS

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course includes decision making, challenging and appealing decisions, collecting evidence, planning legal arguments, preparing a submission for a tribunal hearing and tribunal practice and procedure. You will have the opportunity to participate in mock tribunal hearings.

Accredited by the Open College Network Northern Ireland, the course will involve submitting written assignments for assessment. You will be awarded an OCNNI level 4 certificate on successful completion of coursework.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate/Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards DA4 – Represent Clients in Formal Proceedings

Accredited by OCNNI at level 4

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is for advisers who have a reasonable knowledge of social security benefits and who wish to represent at social security appeals or improve their skills in representation. Experienced representatives may be attracted by the chance to refresh their practice and obtain a qualification.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 19, 26 January, 2, 9, 16 and 17 February 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£275.00	Non-members voluntary	£320.00
Members statutory/private	£320.00	Non-members statutory/private	£550.00

CPD

This course counts as 30 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW ADVISING ON THE RIGHT TO RESIDE FOR SOCIAL SECURITY CLAIMS – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

In 2014 and 2015, the government introduced several changes to the habitual residence test. These changes have restricted benefit entitlement for EEA nationals and for British/Irish nationals who have returned to the UK after a period abroad.

This course examines the habitual residence and right to reside requirements in light of these changes and explains who is affected. It focuses on how a person can have a right to reside under

domestic legislation and EU law and on the difficulties people claiming can experience in establishing a right to reside.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate/Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB19 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is designed for those who work with people who are affected by the right to reside requirements. A good knowledge of the benefit system will be helpful.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

15 September 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

CHALLENGING TAX CREDIT DECISIONS: OVERPAYMENTS – HALF DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

Overpayments are a common problem in the tax credits system. Advisers are likely to find that the number of overpayments will steeply increase as the level of disregarded increase in income has been reduced to £5,000.

By the end of this course, you will understand the main causes of overpayments and how to avoid them. You will also have a good understanding of how an overpayment can be challenged using HMRC procedures and how to use the appeals system.

The course includes changes to tax credits which are likely to increase overpayments.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB20 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This is an important course for anyone advising people on entitlement to tax credits.

WHERE

Belfast
Derry

WHEN

Wednesday 30 September 2015, 10am to 1pm
Tuesday 30 November 2015, 10am to 1pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 3 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW PERSONAL INDEPENDENCE PAYMENT: THE NEW LAW – HALF DAY**WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?**

Personal Independence Payment (PIP) now replaces Disability Living Allowance (DLA) for eligible working age people aged sixteen to pension age in Great Britain. Depending on the outcome of the welfare reform debate in Northern Ireland, PIP may be launched here sometime during 2015/16.

This course illustrates the key information, components and criteria for both the Daily Living and Mobility sections of the new benefit. It also highlights the differences between PIP and DLA and how these differences will affect claimants.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Introductory

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB19 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is for all advice workers.

WHERE

Derry
Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 13 October 2015, 1pm to 4pm
Thursday 14 January 2016, 10am to 1pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 3 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW PIP: THE NEW LAW AND COMPLETING THE FORM – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

Personal Independence Payment (PIP) now replaces Disability Living Allowance (DLA) for eligible working age people aged sixteen to pension age in Great Britain. Depending on the outcome of the welfare reform debate in Northern Ireland, PIP may be launched here sometime during 2015/16.

This course illustrates the key law, information, components and criteria for qualifying for this new benefit. You will be guided through the requirements for completing the new PIP form.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Introductory

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB19 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is for all advice workers.

WHERE

WHEN

Belfast Wednesday 21 October 2015, 10am to 4pm

Derry Wednesday 2 December 2015, 10am to 4pm

Belfast Wednesday 23 March 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

TAKING A CASE TO THE SOCIAL SECURITY COMMISSIONER – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

By the end of this course, you will be able to identify errors of law in social security decisions. You will also understand procedures in appealing to the Social Security Commissioner and in using other routes to appeal the decision of Social Security Appeal Tribunals.

The day will include practical case studies.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB20 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is aimed at advisers who have been at the Law Centre’s Tribunal Representation course or advisers with experience in providing representation at social security appeals, who wish to build on their experience and be able to identify errors of law in tribunal decisions.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Monday 14 March 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW THE RIGHT TO RESIDE FOR SOCIAL SECURITY CLAIMS: RECENT CASELAW AND ‘GENUINE PROSPECT OF WORK’ (GPOW) – HALF DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

In 2014, the UK rules regarding rights of residence for jobseekers or workers who are retaining worker status as a jobseeker were amended. After a set period of time, a person is subject to a ‘Genuine Prospect of Work’ assessment in order to decide if s/he can continue to have a right of residence.

This course focuses on how the new rule affects those claiming JSA and other benefits which require a right of residence. It examines the relevant case law and possible challenges against how the rule is currently being applied.

The course also looks at developments in case law regarding other rights of residence and issues related to the habitual residence requirement.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB19 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is designed for those who work with people who are affected by the habitual residence and right to reside requirements. A good knowledge of the benefits system would be helpful. It

would also be useful if those attending have previously attended Law Centre training on the right to reside test or have experience of advising in this area.

WHERE WHEN

Belfast Wednesday 19 November 2015, 10am to 1pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 3 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW TRIBUNAL PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This practical course covers rules on applying for postponements and adjournments of social security appeals as well as the general powers of a tribunal to issue directions and to weigh up the evidence in a case.

It is likely to prove popular so early booking is recommended.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate/Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB20 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is designed for those who give advice on benefits in the voluntary sector and want to understand more about social security appeals & how they impact upon claimants in Northern Ireland.

WHERE WHEN

Belfast Friday 11 March 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW THE MITIGATION SCHEMES UNDER THE WELFARE REFORM BILL – HALF DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

Proposals for welfare reform in Northern Ireland have focused on how the reforms can be tailored to better suit the needs of local people. They have included various possible mitigations consisting of protection for specific groups or discretionary payment schemes.

This course discusses the mitigating schemes, how they would operate and who would be likely to benefit from them.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB19 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is designed for those who give advice on benefits in the voluntary sector and want to understand how welfare reform would impact on claimants in Northern Ireland.

WHERE

Belfast

Derry

WHEN

Monday 7 March 2016, 10am to 1pm

Tuesday 15 March 2016, 10am to 1pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

ENHANCED ADVOCACY SKILLS FOR REPRESENTATION – TWO DAYS

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This skills day aims to make you more confident in your presentation and to ensure that you present cases effectively and persuasively. The case study used is a social security appeal.

There will be an opportunity to practise dealing with unexpected interventions or unforeseen legal arguments. Video review will be carried out on a one to one basis to help you become more aware of your performance. The course takes place in a welcoming and supportive environment.

The tutor is Fiona Donnelly, a solicitor who teaches advocacy at the Institute of Professional Legal Studies and advanced advocacy through the Law Society.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Advanced- Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards DA4 – Represent clients in Formal Proceedings

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is for advisers representing clients at social security tribunal hearings as well as other types of tribunals.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 8 and Wednesday 9 March 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£140.00	Non-members voluntary	£220.00
Members statutory/private	£220.00	Non-members statutory/private	£350.00

CPD

This course counts as 10 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

UNDERSTANDING UNIVERSAL CREDIT – ONE DAY**WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?**

There have been many changes to the benefits system in the last few years, with more on the way. Depending on the outcome of the welfare reform debate in Northern Ireland, the next twelve months may herald massive changes, including the introduction of Universal Credit. The course illustrates these changes and explains their possible affects on the benefit system.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Introductory / Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB19 – Welfare Rights Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers who wish to develop their knowledge of recent and near future changes in benefits.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Thursday 24 March 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

COURSES AT A GLANCE

START DATE	COURSE	DURATION	VENUE
02/06/15	Welfare Rights Adviser Programme	8 days	Belfast
20/08/15	Rights in Health and Social Care: key signposts	1 day	Belfast
09/09/15	Key Principles of the Agency Worker Regulations	1 day	Belfast
16/09/15	Advising on Right to Reside for Social Security Claims	1 day	Belfast
29/09/15	Guardianship under the Mental Health Order	lunch & learn	Belfast
30/09/15	Challenging Tax Credit Overpayment Decisions	morning	Belfast
01/10/15	Welfare Rights Adviser Programme	8 days	Derry
13/10/15	Personal Independence Payment: the New Law	afternoon	Derry
21/10/15	PIP: the New Law and Completing the Form	1 day	Belfast
10/11/15	The Role of Nearest Relative in Mental Health	lunch & learn	Belfast
30/11/15	Challenging Tax Credit Decisions	morning	Derry
02/12/15	PIP: the New Law and Completing the Form	1 day	Derry
03/12/15	Applied Mental Health Law	1 day	Belfast
08/12/15	Human Rights in Health and Social Care	lunch & learn	Belfast
09/12/15	Older People and Social Care Law	1 day	Belfast
13/01/16	Understanding and Applying the Law on Deprivation and Liberty Safeguards – a Guide for Professionals	morning	Belfast
14/01/16	Personal Independence Payment: the New Law	morning	Belfast
19/01/16	Representing in Social Security Tribunals – Essential Skills	6 days	Belfast
25/01/16	Paying for Care: a Guide to Law and Practice	lunch & learn	Belfast
27/01/16	Resolving Employment Disputes	lunch & learn	Belfast
28/01/16	Welfare Rights Adviser Programme	8 days	Belfast
01/02/16	Understanding the Law on Holiday Pay	lunch & learn	Belfast
03/03/16	Advising and Supporting Carers: Overview of the Law	morning	Belfast
11/03/16	Tribunal Practice and Procedure	1 day	Belfast
15/02/16	Identifying Legal Issues for Zero Hour/Casual Workers	morning	Belfast
22/02/16	Introduction to Employment Law	2 days	Belfast
23/02/16	Mental Capacity and Social Care Decision Making: an Overview	lunch & learn	Belfast
26/02/16	Mental Health Review Tribunals: Representing Clients	1 day	Belfast
01/03/16	Basic Principles of Service Provision Change	morning	Belfast
02/03/16	Child Victims of Human Trafficking	1 day	Belfast
03/03/16	Advising and Supporting Carers – An Overview	Half day	Belfast
04/03/16	Welfare Reform and Social Care: the Impact on Health and Social Care Professionals	Half day	Belfast

07/03/16	The Mitigations Schemes under the Welfare Reform Bill	morning	Belfast
08/03/16	Enhanced Advocacy Skills	2 days	Belfast
11/03/16	Tribunal Practice and Procedure	1day	Belfast
14/03/16	Taking a Case to the Social Security Commissioner	1 day	Belfast
15/03/16	The Mitigations Schemes under the Welfare Reform Bill	morning	Derry
15/03/16	Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards in Summary	lunch & learn	Belfast
22/03/16	Introduction to Employment Law	2 days	Derry
23/03/16	PIP: The new law	1 day	Belfast
24/03/16	Capacity, Consent, Deprivation of Liberty and the Law	1 day	Belfast
24/03/16	Understanding Universal Credit	1 day	Belfast
30/03/16	Welfare Reform and Social Care: the Impact on Health and Social Care Professionals	Half day	Derry



EMPLOYMENT

INTRODUCTION TO EMPLOYMENT LAW – TWO DAYS

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

Employment law in Northern Ireland continues to change at a rapid pace. This course provides an overview of existing and new employment law as it relates to employees.

Due to the subject's increased relevance and importance in today's employment market, and in response to comments from past attendees, the course is now run over a two day period to maximise attendee input and participation.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Introductory/Intermediate

Mapped to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB15 – Employment Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is aimed at advisers and trade union representatives whose job involves advising on employees' rights including: pay and pay related issues; holidays; maximum working hours and breaks; unfair dismissal and redundancy.

WHERE

WHEN

Belfast	Monday 22 and Wednesday 24 February 2016, 10am to 4pm
Derry	Tuesday 22 and Wednesday 23 March 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£140.00	Non-members voluntary	£220.00
Members statutory/private	£220.00	Non-members statutory/private	£350.00

This course is free for participants who completed the Welfare Rights Adviser Programme (WRAP) in 2014 or 2015 (see page 8).

CPD

This course counts as 10 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW KEY PRINCIPLES OF THE AGENCY WORKER REGULATIONS – LUNCH AND LEARN**WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?**

This short course summarises the new rights available to qualifying agency workers under the Agency Worker Regulations (NI) 2011.

It also covers the complex issue of employment status and how this impacts on the rights of agency workers in areas such as TUPE.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB15 and IB16 – Employment Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers, legal practitioners, trade unionists.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Wednesday 9 September 2015, 12.30pm to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW UNDERSTANDING THE LAW ON HOLIDAY PAY – LUNCH AND LEARN**WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?**

This short course summarises the latest caselaw developments on holiday pay and potential implications for workers. It would be suitable for advisers with a good understanding of the law on working time.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB15 and IB16 – Employment Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers, legal practitioners, trade unionists.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Monday 1 February 2015, 12.30pm to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW IDENTIFYING LEGAL ISSUES FOR ZERO HOUR/CASUAL WORKERS – HALF DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This half day course focuses on issues of particular concern to zero hours workers such as employment status, unlawful deduction from wages, holiday rights and detrimental treatment.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB15 and IB16 – Employment Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers, legal practitioners, trade unionists.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Monday 15 February 2015, 10am to 1pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 3 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW RESOLVING EMPLOYMENT DISPUTES: UNDERSTANDING AND ADVISING ON THE PATHWAYS – LUNCH AND LEARN

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course focuses on the options available for settling disputes and the benefits and potential downsides of each option.

It is suitable for people who have previously completed the introduction to employment law course and have previous experience in employment disputes.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB15 and IB16 – Employment Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers, legal practitioners, trade unionists.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Wednesday 27 January 2016, 12.30pm to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW BASIC PRINCIPLES OF SERVICE PROVISION CHANGE – HALF DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course covers the major issues in relation to Service Provision Change (SPC). It is aimed at advisers with some familiarity with the law on Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment), also known as TUPE.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB15 and IB16 – Employment Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers, legal practitioners, trade unionists.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 1 March 2016 10am to 1pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 3 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE: COMMUNITY CARE

NEW RIGHTS IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE: KEY SIGNPOSTS FOR ADVISERS – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course explores the legal responsibilities of Health and Social Care Trusts to deliver social care services to people with assessed social care needs which may arise due to illness, age, learning disability, physical disability or mental health condition.

The course aims to equip you with knowledge and understanding of the law and guidance on the key legal rights of each category of service user.

As an adviser, care provider or decision maker, this course will help you to identify health and social care decisions which may be unlawful. It also explores the remedies available to service users in these circumstances.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB22 – Health and Community Care Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

New and experienced advisers, legal practitioners, Health and Social Care Trust staff and others who work in the delivery of care.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Thursday 20 August 2015, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

ADVISING AND SUPPORTING CARERS: AN OVERVIEW OF THE LAW – HALF DAY**WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?**

This course looks at the legal position for carers within the community care system.

It aims to equip you to provide advice and support to carers in asserting their rights to have their needs assessed and to receive services from a Health and Social Care Trust.

It examines the legal duties of Trusts under the Carers and Direct Payments Act (Northern Ireland) 2002 and discusses relevant case law. It also explores the role of the carer where the person being cared for lacks capacity to make decisions.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB22 – Health and Community Care Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Experienced advisers, legal practitioners, Health and Social Care Trust staff and others who work with people who are carers.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Thursday 3 March 2016, 10am to 1pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 3 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW HUMAN RIGHTS IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE – LUNCH AND LEARN

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This lunchtime seminar offers an overview of the main provisions of the Human Rights Act 1998 and its impact on health and social care provision.

The course examines relevant caselaw and includes practical examples of how human rights issues can arise in decisions about health and social care service provision.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB21 – Health and Community Care Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers, legal practitioners, Health and Social Care Trust staff and others whose work requires them to fully appreciate the role of human rights in health and social care.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 8 December 2015, 12.30am to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW OLDER PEOPLE AND SOCIAL CARE LAW – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course examines the impact of community care legislation, caselaw and guidance in the provision of care to elderly service users.

The focus is on decision making around hospital discharge, placement in care, re-assessment of needs in respect of domiciliary care, service provision/withdrawal, risk assessment and unmet need.

If you are an adviser, this course can help you to identify their clients' rights. If you are a care provider or decision maker, it can assist you in reaching lawful decisions and implementing good social care practice.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB22 – Health and Community Care Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

New and experienced advisers, legal practitioners, Health and Social Care Trust staff and others who work in the delivery of care to older people.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Wednesday 9 December 2015, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW PAYING FOR CARE: A GUIDE TO LAW AND PRACTICE – LUNCH AND LEARN

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This lunchtime seminar gives you an overview of the legal position concerning an individual's obligation to pay for their care.

It examines the relevant legislation, guidance and caselaw governing financial assessments, charging for residential/nursing care and charges for domiciliary care services.

Finally, the course considers the relevance of an individual's own resources, including benefit entitlement, in the financial assessment.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB21 – Health and Community Care Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers, legal practitioners, Health and Social Care Trust staff and others who work with people whose ability to make their own decisions is affected through illness or disability.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Monday 25 January 2016, 12.30am to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW MENTAL CAPACITY AND SOCIAL CARE DECISION MAKING – AN OVERVIEW

LUNCH AND LEARN

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This lunchtime seminar gives you an overview of the law governing social care decision making on behalf of adults who have impaired decision making capacity.

It considers the role of carers and family members in these decisions. It also examines the responsibilities of trust staff in assessing capacity and in making decisions on behalf of adults without capacity.

It covers decision-making in the provision of social care services as well as wider social welfare issues such as deciding where an adult without capacity should live and with whom they should have contact.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB21 – Health and Community Care Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Advisers, legal practitioners, Health and Social Care Trust staff and others who work with people whose ability to make their own decisions is affected through illness or disability.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 23 February 2016, 12.30am to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW WELFARE REFORM AND SOCIAL CARE: THE IMPACT ON HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PROFESSIONALS – HALF DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

There have been many recent changes to the benefits system, and more are likely to be on the way as decisions on welfare reform in Northern Ireland are likely to be made in the near future. The next twelve months may herald more significant changes including the introduction of Universal Credit and Personal Independence Payment which would substantially change the benefits landscape.

This course aims to make sense of the changes that have already happened and to explain their significance generally and their impact on health social care professionals specifically.

It also provides an overview of Personal Independence Payment and Universal Credit and outlines other important changes in the benefit system from next year onwards.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB22 – Health and Community Care Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Experienced advisers, legal practitioners, Health and Social Care Trust staff and others who will be affected by welfare reform.

WHERE

Belfast
Derry

WHEN

Friday 4 March 2016, 10am to 1pm
Wednesday 30 March 2016

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 3 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW CAPACITY, CONSENT, DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY AND THE LAW

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course examines the legal rules governing assessment of capacity and the process which must be followed when a ‘best interests’ decision has to be made on behalf of an adult lacking capacity. It also explores the current legal position in relation to decisions taken by Health and Social Care Trusts which may involve depriving a person of her/his liberty.

It considers the practical implications of the DHSSPSNI’s interim Guidance on Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards and of recent case law.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

New and experienced advisers, legal practitioners, health and social care trust staff and others who work in the delivery of care to older people.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 24 March 2016 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£12.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course is linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB22 – Health and Community Care Legal Advice and Casework.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE: MENTAL HEALTH

NEW GUARDIANSHIP UNDER THE MENTAL HEALTH ORDER: LEGAL DEVELOPMENTS AND LOOKING TO THE FUTURE – LUNCH AND LEARN

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course looks at the statutory framework of Guardianship under the Mental Health (NI) Order (1986), in light of the recent NI Court Appeal case of *JMCA*, and the English *Cheshire West* case; which was heard in the Supreme Court.

It considers how lessons learned have been incorporated into provisions of the Mental Capacity Bill NI which is currently being considered by the Assembly.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB7 & IB8 – Mental Health Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Health care providers, legal representatives, advocates and all those who are involved in the care of people in the community.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 29 September 2015, 12.30pm to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW THE ROLE OF NEAREST RELATIVE IN MENTAL HEALTH: A GUIDE FOR CARERS LUNCH AND LEARN

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course is specifically designed for those who care for people with mental illness or learning disabilities.

It provides a useful understanding of the Mental Health Order (1986) and the carer's role and rights within it, should their loved one ever become subject to the order. It also briefly touches upon the new Mental Capacity Bill, which is currently being considered by the Assembly.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Introductory

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB7 & IB8 – Mental Health Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is aimed at carers and those who work with them.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 10 November 2015, 12.30pm to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

APPLIED MENTAL HEALTH LAW – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course looks at the law on consent and capacity.

It examines the rules governing assessment of capacity and the process which must be followed when a ‘best interests’ decision has to be made on behalf of an adult lacking capacity. It also explores the current legal position in relation to decisions taken by Health and Social Care Trusts which may involve depriving a person of their liberty. It considers the practical implications of the DHSSPSNI interim Guidance on Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards and of recent caselaw.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard – IB7 – Mental Health Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is aimed at advisers, advocates and legal practitioners who have an interest in advising on the implications of mental health legislation and caselaw in Northern Ireland. Others involved in health care may also find this a useful course.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Thursday 3 December 2015, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW THE LAW ON DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY SAFEGUARDS: A GUIDE FOR PROFESSIONALS – HALF DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course takes a detailed look at the framework and procedure governing how someone can legally be deprived of their liberty in a health or social care scenario, when the Mental Health Order 1986 does not apply. It also considers what safeguards are available.

It compares local provisions with the law in England and Wales. It briefly examines how deprivations of liberty (DoLs) are to be catered for in the Mental Capacity Bill NI which is currently being considered by the Assembly.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB7 & IB8 – Mental Health Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Health care providers, legal representatives, advocates and all those who are involved in the community-based care of people in nursing or residential homes, supported accommodations etc.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Wednesday 13 January 2016, 10am to 1pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£55.00	Non-members voluntary	£75.00
Members statutory/private	£75.00	Non-members statutory/private	£105.00

CPD

This course counts as 3 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

MENTAL HEALTH REVIEW TRIBUNALS: REPRESENTING CLIENTS – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This practically focused course aims to enhance the presentation of a case before the Mental Health Review Tribunal and examine the key principles relevant in Northern Ireland.

It refers to case examples and explores good practice on client care; pre-hearing preparation; understanding the psychiatric reports and advocacy techniques at hearing.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Advanced

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards – IB7 – Mental Health Legal Advice/ DA4 – Represent clients in Formal Proceedings

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is aimed at advisers, advocates and legal practitioners who attend and represent clients at Mental Health Review Tribunals.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Friday 26 February 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

NEW DEPRIVATION OF LIBERTY SAFEGUARDS IN SUMMARY – LUNCH AND LEARN

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course summarises the framework governing how someone can legally be deprived of their liberty in a health or social care scenario, when the Mental Health Order 1986 does not apply. It also considers what safeguards are available.

It compares local provisions with the law in England and Wales. It briefly examines how deprivations of liberty (DoLs) are to be catered for in the Mental Capacity Bill NI which is currently being considered by the Assembly.

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standards IB7 & IB8 – Mental Health Legal Advice and Casework

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

Health care providers, legal representatives, advocates and all those who are involved in the community-based care of people in nursing or residential homes, supported accommodations etc.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Tuesday 15 March 2016, 12.30pm to 2pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£34	Non-members voluntary	£44
Members statutory/private	£44	Non-members statutory/private	£54

CPD

This course counts as 1.5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

See also: [Enhanced Advocacy Skills for Representation](#) (page 15)

HUMAN TRAFFICKING

CHILD VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING – ONE DAY

WHAT DOES THE COURSE OFFER?

This course looks at the law and policy as it relates to child victims of human trafficking, with a particular focus on practice in Northern Ireland.

It examines the UK National Referral Mechanism system for identification of victims of human trafficking and the law and policies in place for supporting these children.

The tutor is Fidelma O'Hagan, Anti-Trafficking Young Legal and Policy Adviser at Law Centre (NI).

WHAT LEVEL IS IT?

Intermediate

Linked to Legal Advice National Occupational Standard IB27 – Immigration Legal Advice

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

This course is aimed at organisations and individuals working with children and young people who are suspected victims of human trafficking.

WHERE

Belfast

WHEN

Wednesday 2 March 2016, 10am to 4pm

COURSE FEE

Members voluntary	£90.00	Non-members voluntary	£120.00
Members statutory/private	£120.00	Non-members statutory/private	£200.00

CPD

This course counts as 5 hours towards Continuing Professional Development requirements for advisers, solicitors and barristers.

TRAINING APPLICATION FORM

Please photocopy and complete the application form below for each individual course you would like to apply for and return by post to Law Centre (NI), 124 Donegall Street, Belfast BT1 2GY, or fax 028 9023 6340.

This form can also be downloaded at: www.lawcentreni.org/training/application-forms.html and returned via email to admin.belfast@lawcentreni.org

NOTE: There are no formal entry qualifications for Law Centre courses but you should have good literacy skills and basic numeracy skills in order to benefit fully.

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Application form / Continued in following page

Please provide this additional information if you are applying to:

- **Welfare Rights Adviser Programme** (8 days)
or
- **Representing in Social Security Tribunals: Essential Skills** (6 days)

(Not required for applications to other courses)

How many hours per week do you work?	
How many hours per week do you spend on advice work? (Please circle)	1-7 7-14 4-21 21-28 28-35 35+
Please give a brief description of your duties in your present post:	
<p>Please place a tick beside each area of advice work currently undertaken by your organisation:</p> <p>Income Support</p> <p>Housing Benefit</p> <p>Social Fund</p> <p>Tax Credits</p> <p>Debt</p> <p>DLA/AA</p> <p>ESA</p>	
Other areas of work undertaken by your organisation	



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