



Loddon
Training & Consultancy

Positively Supporting Individual Development

Communication

Course description – this workshop aims to support the participants understanding of the challenges arising from communication difficulties, and suggest a range of supportive strategies to create a positive communication environment for the individual and those around them.

This is an introductory workshop with a practical focus and would be suited to staff working in environments where service-users may struggle to understand, express themselves or to communicate appropriately and effectively.

Course aim – the workshop will increase awareness of communication challenges, consider the problems individuals you work with may experience, and provide ideas for practical activities and resources, demonstrating how communication can be encouraged and supported.

Duration – One Day. (This could also be run as a half day session.)

Target audience – parents, carers or practitioners who provide support to adults or children with autistic spectrum and challenges arising from communication difficulties.

Pre-requisite knowledge and skills – there is no pre-requisite of prior knowledge required for this training. as it will provide general information about communication difficulties and will enable members of staff to reflect on their own practice.

Assessment method - there are no formal assessments in this workshop, but application of learning can be informally measured through group work, practical activities and discussion.

On completing the course learners will be able to:

- to understand that using Intensive Interaction and play to initiate interaction can build positive relationships.
- To discuss the importance of teaching the replacement skills necessary to support communication and reduce behaviours.
- To explore the range of skills needed to communicate effectively, and the importance of generalising these skills.
- To think about realistic communication goals for your individuals.
- To understand that personalised communication strategies and resources will support the individuals to feel confident and motivated to communicate.
- To demonstrate that a “Inclusive communication approach” will have a positive impact on effective communication.
- To explore how to make simple, personalised resources and understand how they can be used to support communication.
- To understand how sensory processing difficulties and the environment can impact on communication and daily living

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