



## Neglect – a challenge for inter- agency working – Level 3

Neglect is recognised as leading to significantly poor outcomes for children in the short and long term. It is a matter of concern for all professionals who work with children that the neglected child is often left for too long in circumstances which continue to damage their health and development.

In order to recognise and respond appropriately to neglect, practitioners require up to date evidence based information about the impact of neglect upon the child and what works in the prevention of and response to neglect.

### Who is it for?

This 2-day course is for managers and front line practitioners across the range of LSCB partner agencies. It is particularly suitable for those with a specific responsibility for safeguarding children including those professionals involved in the assessment of children in need and those involved in complex cases.

Participants must already have a sound understanding of the issues in relation to safeguarding children including definitions, signs, symptoms and categories of child abuse, the legal context, roles, responsibilities and safeguarding processes. The Durham LSCB Level 2 Safeguarding Course or the online Level 1 e-Learning programme will be suitable for this pre-requisite knowledge.

### Aim

- ✓ To raise the profile of neglect as a form of child maltreatment.
- ✓ To improve professional responses to children who are being neglected.

### Objectives

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

- ✓ identify what is meant by neglect and the context within this occurs
- ✓ understand the impact that neglect has on children
- ✓ highlight the key messages about neglect from Serious Case Reviews in Durham
- ✓ consider thresholds for professional intervention and referral to Safeguarding & Specialist Services
- ✓ consider available tools in the assessment of neglect cases
- ✓ consider the role of professional dangerousness when working with neglecting families.

Courses will be held on the following dates at venues across the County

<b>Locality</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>
Dales	Mon 10 & Tues 11 January 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Durham Dales Centre, Stanhope
Easington	Wed 26 & Thu 27 January 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	East Durham College
Durham	Wed 23 & Thu 24 February 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Fostering & Adoption Centre Langley Moor
Sedgefield	Mon 7 & Tues 8 March 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Spennymoor Council Offices Greenlane
Derwentside	Wed 16 & Thu 17 March 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Moorside Children's Centre
Easington	We 13 & Thu 14 April 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Health Partnership Centre Building 2 Bracken Hill Fern Court
Durham	Wed 27 & Thu 28 April 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Fostering & Adoption Centre Langley Moor
Dales	Tue 10 & Wed 11 May 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Durham Dales Centre, Stanhope
Derwentside	Wed 25 & Thu 26 May 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Moorside Children's Centre
Easington	Thu 16 & Fri 17 June 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Health Partnership Centre Building 2 Bracken Hill Fern Court
Durham	Wed 29 & Thu 30 June 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Fostering & Adoption Centre Langley Moor
Sedgefield	Thu 7 & Fri 8 July 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Greenfield Community Arts College Newton Aycliffe
Dales	Tue 26 & Wed 27 July 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Evenwood Children's Centre
Easington	Mon 8 & Tue 9 August 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Health Partnership Centre Building 2 Bracken Hill Fern Court
Durham	Tue 6 & Wed 7 September 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Fostering & Adoption Centre Langley Moor
Sedgefield	Thu 29 & Fri 30 September 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Aycliffe Young People's Centre
Derwentside	Wed 12 & Thu 13 October 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Moorside Children's Centre
Dales	Mon 24 & Tue 25 October 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Durham Dales Centre, Stanhope

Durham	Tue 15 & Wed 16 November 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Fostering & Adoption Centre
Sedgefield	Thu 24 & Fri 25 November 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Greenfield Community Arts College Newton Aycliffe
Derwentside	Wed 14 & Thu 15 December 2011	9.15am-4.30pm	Moorside Children's Centre