

Training for School staff for understanding 'barriers to attendance' for children and young people who are Children in Care and/or supported by a Social Worker and identifying strategies to improve attendance

Difficulties experienced by children and young people attending school can be cyclic, and behaviours can become ingrained. Promoting school attendance can be emotionally challenging for children and young people, the adults supporting them and can take time.

Recognising any difficulties a child or young people is experiencing as early as possible and providing appropriate support is of key importance.

This training aims to:

- Identify and explore different 'barriers to attendance' children and young people can experience, with specific focus on aspects which can affect this particular population of young people.
- Identifying approaches to support children and young people experiencing these barriers to improve attendance, as well as their families and adults in school the role of the school system in supporting children and young people experiencing barriers to attendance.

Training designed for:

Designated Safeguard Leads, Designated Teachers and key staff supporting attendance, such as Attendance Officers, in schools who have a responsibility for supporting children in care and/or children and young people who have a Social Worker.

Details of events:

The training sessions are for 1 hour and 30 minutes, and held online using the TEAMS platform. These will be repeated over the coming terms this academic year to allow a choice of date and day to attend. Numbers will be restricted to ensure all attendees can participate fully in the sessions. Training can be done around one screen if desired but we will still require all contact numbers and email addresses for staff attending.

The sessions are:

Date	Day	Time
11.01.2023	Wednesday	3.30pm - 5pm
16.02.2023	Thursday	3.30pm - 5pm
28.03.2023	Tuesday	3.30pm - 5pm
26.04.2023	Wednesday	3.30pm - 5pm
25.05.2023	Thursday	3.30pm - 5pm
27.06.2023	Tuesday	3.30pm - 5pm

Please contact courtney.hopson@gloucestershire.gov.uk to book onto the session.

