



ONLINE WORKSHOP BOOKING FORM

MAKING GOOD ASSESSMENTS OF ADOPTERS AND PERMANENT CARERS – USING THE NEW PROSPECTIVE ADOPTERS REPORT, SCOTLAND (PAR-S)

THEME

Linking to the publication of the new PAR-S template for completing assessments of prospective adopters and permanent carers, this workshop is targeted at workers who have experience in making assessments using the previous form. It will provide an opportunity for practitioners to update their knowledge and skills in conducting the assessment process, as well as becoming familiar with the new PAR-S format and considering how it can be adapted where necessary to suit particular situations. The workshop will consider how the new format can be used to explore whether the prospective adoptive parents have the capacities required to provide safe, nurturing care to children and young people. It will also consider how the assessment should demonstrate their understanding of the different legal routes to permanence and determine which plans prospective adopters and carers will be able to manage. It will allow participants to explore their own experiences, share case material, consider risk and look at what factors can lead to unsafe practice and vulnerable placements.

We have adapted the format of our training so that these work as well as possible as online events. To make the most of the training we would ask that you make sure to read the materials issued in advance so that you are able to participate as fully as possible in discussions and break out groups.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

The workshop is suitable for practitioners who have existing experience in undertaking assessment work and who want to explore the implications of the PAR-S and be well equipped to use it.

Participants will:

- become familiar with the PAR-S template and consider ways of making best use of the new format
- obtain up-to-date information about the theoretical base for assessment work and what supports good placements
- have reviewed what we know about the key capacities that adopters will require to provide effective and safe care and how we provide evidence for this in assessments
- consider how the assessment process reflects the applicant's understanding of the different legal routes that may lead to permanence for the child
- consider how we manage risk in adoption and what can be done to minimise risky practices as part of the assessment process
- reflect on the role of the worker in the assessment process and the impact of the personal values and the assumptions that we bring to the assessment task

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Date: Wednesday 5 May 2021
Time: 10.00am – 2.00pm
Venue: Online Platform – MS Teams
Facilitator: Helen Runciman, Associate Trainer

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