



AFA240

WORKSHOP BOOKING FORM

WHY IS IT TAKING SO LONG?

*Getting to grips with bottlenecks in the permanence process
and how to break through*

Facilitator: Rhona Pollock
Date: 23 April 2020
Venue: Foxglove Offices, The Shore Training Suite, 14 Links Place, Edinburgh EH6 7EZ
Cost: £110.00 + VAT
Time: 10.00am – 4.30pm (refreshments and lunch will be provided)

THEME

In Scotland, it takes on average over 2 years between a decision for permanence being made and a legal order being granted. This is too long in the life of a child.

This workshop will tackle reasons for drift and delay and importantly what we can do to reduce these. Delegates will have a safe and informed forum where they can share views and experiences with other workers by taking part in group work, case scenarios and discussion. Plenary sessions will provide up-to-date factual information on the responsibilities of all of us in promoting our individual role in taking control of these timeframes.

Innovatively, delegates are invited to submit beforehand anonymised case experiences so that a practical solution can be explored to see how the system can be child driven.

Looking at case planning from the outset, information recording, report writing, preparing for and presenting at Children's Hearings and Courts, decisions about contact and moving to permanence, court decisions, research and theory and understanding legal requirements will inform and enable delegates to find the best way forward for children and families.

This workshop is as suitable for the seasoned practitioner as for those new to the field, and for those who specialise in Permanence as well as the worker who may occasionally deal with such cases. It will also be of invaluable interest to Safeguarders, panel members, foster carers and anyone involved in promoting and planning for permanence for children.

It will be led by Rhona Pollock, AFA Scotland Legal Consultant

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Gaining a greater understanding of the duties and responsibilities of practitioners in respect of permanence planning.
- Familiarisation with the process, legislation and case law involved in permanence planning.
- Preparing for Court and understanding the court process
- In depth knowledge of making recommendations to Children's Hearings and framing arguments to support these in the Hearings themselves
- Professional record keeping and report writing which is fit for purpose
- Moving forward with permanence plans.

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DELEGATE INFORMATION

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After receipt of written confirmation of place allocated	25% of fee
Cancellation between two and four weeks prior to the date	50% of fee
Cancellation between one week and two weeks prior to the date	75% of fee
Cancellation within one week of the date	100% of fee

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