

## **An introduction to working therapeutically with people with learning disabilities**

**Friday 14 July 2017**

### **Course outline and aims**

Respond is expert in creative therapeutic interventions for people with learning disabilities. This course provides training in alternative ways of working therapeutically with people with learning disabilities who have been abused or experienced trauma. The course will cover: an introduction to disability psychotherapy; the different approaches to verbal and non-verbal communication and when this is the most appropriate method; the significance of attachment theory in disability, abuse and trauma and exploring creative ways of working using art, play, music, drama and movement.

### **What will you learn?**

- You will feel more able to work creatively with people with learning disabilities
- You will develop knowledge of current best practice in creative therapeutic interventions
- You will understand the basics of disability psychotherapy and attachment theory
- You will demonstrate a knowledge of individual and group therapeutic approaches to working with people with learning disabilities who are non-verbal

### **Who is the course for?**

It is ideal for professionals who want to feel more confident in their work with people with learning disabilities and be more able to work creatively. This course is suitable for Therapists and other professionals working with, or planning to work with, people with learning disabilities in creative therapeutic work.

### **Our training approach**

The course is limited to 16 participants offering the best opportunity for you to not only learn from our Trainer, it also enables you to learn from other participants' experience of working with people with learning disabilities. The training is delivered using an effective mix of theoretical and experiential techniques and case studies.

**Qualification:** Certificate of Attendance

### **About the Trainer**

The Course Trainer is Jamie Kelly, Adult Therapist and Case Manager at Respond. Jamie is a qualified and experienced Drama and Movement Therapist registered with the Health and Care Professions Council and a full member of the British Association of Dramatherapists. She has worked as a teacher, trainer, group facilitator and therapist in various settings in Canada and the UK. Jamie is widely experienced in education, working in secure hospitals, prisons and community settings with people with learning disabilities.

## Course logistics

**Date:** Friday 14 July 2017

**Time:** 10am to 4pm. Please arrive from 9.30am for registration and refreshments.

**Venue:** Respond, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor, 24-32 Stephenson Way, London, NW1 2HD.

**Getting here:** Respond is located close to Euston mainline station, Euston Square underground station (Hammersmith and City, Circle and Metropolitan lines), Euston and Warren Street underground stations (Victoria and Northern lines). For up to date information on travel and transport please go to this link <https://tfl.gov.uk/plan-a-journey/>.

**Lunch:** Respond does not provide lunch. There are numerous sandwich shops and cafes within short walking distance of our office. You are welcome to bring your own lunch and eat in the training room.

**Fee:** £90 and early bird £75 if booked before 16 June. All fees are subject to a booking charge.

**Booking:** booking for our training courses is through Eventbrite. Please click on this link <https://respond1617intro.eventbrite.co.uk>

**Cancellation:** a full refund less a £10 administration is payable if you cancel the course up to three weeks in advance. Refunds are not payable after this time.

**Further information:** please call 020 7383 0700 or email [training@respond.org.uk](mailto:training@respond.org.uk) with your query and we will do our best to help. Our offices are open on weekdays from 9.30am to 5pm daily.