Mental Health Assessor / BIA DoLS Refresher Training

Training for Qualified Mental Health / Best Interest Assessor roles within the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards

N.B. The sessions scheduled from January 2027 onwards will not include Neil Allen's input. Mark Cooper from the University of Manchester will now be delivering both the morning and afternoon sessions.

Schedule / Content

9:30 to 12:30	DoLS Case-law Update (including AGNI Judgement) Trainer: Neil Allen (Barrister / Senior Lecturer)
12:30 to 13:15	Lunch Break
13:15 to 15:30	Emerging MCA Issues Trainer: Mark Cooper (Lecturer / BIA)
15:30	Close

Dates:

- Wednesday, 23rd September 2026 (face to face, on campus)
- Friday, 9th October 2026 (online)
- Thursday, 12th November 2026 (online)
- Tuesday, 15th December 2026 (online)
- Wednesday, 13th January 2027 (online)
- Wednesday, 10th February 2027 (face to face, on campus)
- Wednesday, 10th March 2027 (online)
- Wednesday, 14th April 2027 (face to face, on campus)
- Wednesday, 12th May 2027 (online)
- Tuesday, 8th June 2027 (face to face, on campus)
- Thursday, 8th July 2027 (online)

Please note the content will be the same for each date.

Cost: £100 per person for the day

Online training sessions: these will be delivered via the Microsoft Teams platform and recorded onto the cloud, and the recording will be made available for delegates to view, up to 30 days after the event. To avoid excessive screen time there will be frequent breaks.

As there is a statutory requirement for DoLS assessors to complete annual refresher training, all attendees must keep their cameras on throughout the session in order that we can confirm attendance for your certificate. If this may cause any difficulty, please advise.

Prior to the training: You will receive the Teams Meeting ID plus password or the room location (whichever is applicable), and a copy of the learning materials three working days before the training session.

If you want further details about the course, please contact the Mark Cooper via mark.cooper-2@manchester.ac.uk

Please book as soon as possible

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Payment details:

Sponsored Applicants: If applicants are being funded by their employer, please email a list of their names and email addresses to: nmsw.programmes@manchester.ac.uk and you MUST include a copy of the Purchase Order for the relevant amount (£100 per person).

Please note: Any cancellations/changes need to be made at least a week prior to the event, otherwise they will be charged at the below rates:

- Between 1 working week and 24 hours* before the event = half the attendance fee
- Less than 24 hours* before the event, and non-attendance on the day = full attendance fee
- Non-attendance = full attendance fee

* For any sessions running on a Monday, the 24 hours period will commence on the previous Friday (weekends will not be classed as 24 hours beforehand)