

# Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards Authorised Signatories Training Course

## Aims:

This course aims to provide guidance on the role of signatories and to update designated signatories in relation to the latest case law around their specific role within the DOLS procedures. Please note: this course is not designed for BIAs but specifically the role of local authority managers acting as authorised signatories.

## Learning outcomes:

- Understand the responsibilities of the Supervisory Body in relation to DOLS
- Explain the statutory basis and functions of a signatory
- Demonstrate how recent case law affects the role of the signatory and consider its application in practice

## Programme:

- Commentary on DoLS – government and Supreme Court
- Latest news from Department of Health, CQC etc
- DoLS signatories – what has changed in the last year?
- DoLS – scrutiny and the role of the supervisory body + SCIE guidance
- The DoLS assessments and new forms and guidance
- Form 3 – BIA assessment
- Defining Deprivation of Liberty – Article 5
- *Case study – restraint or deprivation of liberty?*
- The Supreme Court ruling – Cheshire West
- Continuous supervision and control and not free to leave
- A person can now be deprived of liberty even though...
- What to look for on Form 3 – deprived of liberty?
- The best interests – the law
- Best Interests assessment – what to look for
- *Case study – best interests?*
- Statistics for DoLS + latest ADASS advice
- Residential schools and DoLS case law
- Harm to the person and a proportionate response
- Mental Capacity Assessment – Form 3 and 4
- Recent case law on assessment of capacity – what a person needs to understand
- Assessment of capacity – what to look for
- *Case study – assessment of capacity*
- Duration of DoLS
- Conditions – when, why and what?
- Mental Health Assessment
- Form 5 - The Supervisory Body's decision
- Wider practice issues for managers in social services
- Questions that remain – future case law

 **Date**  
8th December 2017

 **Time**  
09:30 to 4:30pm

 **Venue**  
Central London EC4Y  
(nearest Underground station Temple)

## Booking details


Places are limited so early booking is recommended

To book and pay online go to

 EventBrite.co.uk and

search for: **DoLS Authorised Signatories**

OR

 For a booking form and invoice, email:  
assistant@edgetraining.org.uk

## Cost

£140 + VAT (£168) including all course materials, certificate and refreshments.

The course will be delivered by  
**Steven Richards**

Steven is a Mental Health Act Reviewer with the Care Quality Commission and a specialist advisor in relation to the Mental Capacity Act. He is a Director of Edge training and consultancy and has worked in the mental health field for over 20 years, both for the NHS and voluntary sector. He has been an in-patient advocate for Mind and as an advocate represented directly before the Court of Protection. Steven has trained health and social care professionals on the Mental Capacity Act since its inception and regularly delivers legal update training to DoLS assessors (BIAs and Mental Health Assessors) and authorising signatories.

Steven is co-author of three books, *Working with the Mental Capacity Act 2005 - 2<sup>nd</sup> edition*, *Working with the Mental Health Act – 3<sup>rd</sup> edition* and *The Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Handbook – 1<sup>st</sup> edition*. He also co-authors a number of wallcharts on the Acts which are used nationally and a mobile App on the Mental Capacity Act.