

# Understanding Child Sexual Abusers

A foundation course for  
child protection professionals



... Specialist training and case advice

The prevention of sexual abuse requires effective practice in the assessment, treatment and management of abusers and potential abusers. Best practice should be based on sound information as well as the lessons that can be learnt from practical experience.

Our one-day workshop provides an overview of child sexual abuse and abusers. It will be of particular relevance to offender managers, social workers, public protection police officers and other professionals concerned with protecting children from sexual harm.



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This training course provides a broad and informative overview of child sexual abuse. It explores different ways of understanding sexual offending and how these can be applied to the decisions you make in your work with offenders, victims and families.

Based on experience, research and current practice, the course offers a clear foundation upon which to build your knowledge and skills, covering:

- The models used to understand the behaviour
- The process of sexually abusive behaviour in a variety of contexts
- The impact of child sexual abuse
- What we mean by 'risk' and 'risk management'
- Defensible decision-making.

The course will be of interest to all child protection professionals, and those new to a role that involves the assessment or treatment of abusers in particular. It will also be of benefit to those working with child victims of sexual abuse or other family members.

## About this course

With a specialist background in child protection, our course facilitators will explore:

- The scale of the problem: How many victims? Who are the abusers?  
What are we doing about it?
- Models for understanding and assessing this behaviour
- How to use 'offender knowledge' in direct work with abusers and families
- Internet offending and offenders
- How child sexual abuse affects primary and secondary victims.

Throughout the day, you will be given the opportunity to explore the issues through individual case studies and to discuss your own case examples.

**Check the website for forthcoming dates and locations or call us to arrange group training at your own premises.**

We provide a comprehensive range of services, including training and specialist case advice for professionals, and direct work with sex offenders and their families.

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