

## **Attachment based responses: practical solutions to working with people with learning disabilities or autism**

**Thursday 29 June 2017**

### **Course outline and aims**

[Attachment Theory](#) offers professionals an important insight into understanding the people we work with, as well as help in understanding our own responses and feelings when working with people with learning disabilities or autism. Respond is expert in working with young people and adults who often present with profound attachment disorders, often as a consequence of abuse and trauma. The course provides an in-depth introduction to attachment theory from [Bowlby](#) to [Fonagy](#), an insight into trauma and attachment and equips professionals with the skills of practical application of attachment theory

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

- You will have a better understanding of attachment theory in the context of learning disability and trauma
- You will feel more able to develop attachment informed strategies when working with people with learning disabilities
- You will feel more able to better understand your own attachment style and how this impacts on your professional life

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

This one-day course will be beneficial for any professional or practitioner working with people with learning disabilities in most settings, including:

- Teachers, teaching assistants, learning support staff
- Safeguarding leads
- Social Workers
- Care staff working in supported housing, residential and day care
- Probation Service officers and staff
- Staff and volunteers working in voluntary organisations and community groups

### **Our training approach**

The course is limited to 12 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.

**Qualification:** Certificate of Attendance

### **About the Trainer**

The Course Trainer is Dr Noëlle Blackman, CEO at Respond. Dr Blackman is co-founder of the National Network for the Palliative Care of People with Learning Disabilities, Visiting Lecturer for Anglia Ruskin University on the MA Dramatherapy and Honorary Research Fellow for the University of Hertfordshire. Dr Blackman is a published author and respected speaker on many aspects of improving the life and wellbeing of people with learning disabilities or autism using a therapeutic approach.

## Course logistics

**Date:** Thursday 29 June 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 1 June. All fees are subject to a booking charge.

**Booking:** booking for our training courses is through Eventbrite. Please click on this link <https://respond1617attachment.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.