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Mental Capacity Act 2005 Level 3 (Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards)

A legal framework for when a person who lacks capacity is unable to consent to treatment or care in a hospital or care home, under public or private arrangements.

Unavoidable actions taken in the persons best interest that amount to taking away freedom.

When detention under the Mental Health Act 1983 is not appropriate for the person at that time.

Target Audience

For Senior Managers and staff from Managing Authorities to understand their role / responsibilities in relation to implementation of the required policies and procedures of the 'Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards' part of the Mental Capacity Act 2005.

Aims

The aim of the course is:

- To explain how DoLS fits into the Mental Capacity Act.
- To explain the difference between restriction and deprivation of liberty and when legal restraint can be used.
- How Managing Authorities decide whether to apply for an authorisation, including the 6 stage assessment process.
- Detailed explanation of forms Managing Authorities are required to fill in.

Learning Objectives

Delegates will be able to:

- Understanding what is 'Deprivation of Liberty' and the difference between restriction and deprivation of liberty.
- Understanding of the key terms in relation to deprivation of liberty safeguards (DoLS).
- Understanding of what Managing Authorities should consider before applying for 'Authorisation' of deprivation of liberty.
- How to apply to 'Supervisory Bodies' for 'Authorisation' using appropriate forms.
- Understanding when authorisation's can be reviewed and what happens when they end.
- Discussion and development of different organisation policies and procedures in relation to DoLS.

Course Duration

6 hours – one day