



SSCP Communicating with Children and Young People

This full day course is designed to help practitioners consider how to better engage with children and young people, to capture their views and voices and to feel heard. The course is a national response to national and local findings which emphasise the need to listen to children and young people.

Who should attend: This course is open to anyone who works with children and families in Salford or for children and family focused services.

Content

The course content will be focused on:

- How we listen to children and young people in Salford
- How we engage with children whose first language is not English
- Why it is important to gather children's voices where there might be complex and significant needs

Completion of the course should help practitioners feel more confident in working more creatively to gain views using a range of tools and techniques.

Part 1:

- ▶ Understand why effective communication is important in safeguarding children.
- ▶ Develop an awareness of local models and standards for listening and participation.
- ▶ Consider wider issues including capturing the lived experience of babies, older children, and cultural consciousness in engagement.
(*Joanne Horton, SSCP Participation Lead*)

Part 2:

- ▶ Communicating with children whose first language is not English (*Natalie Stables, Head of Service at Salford Ethnic Minority and Traveller Achievement Service*)

Part 3:

- ▶ Communicating with children who are neurodiverse, have additional and/or complex needs (*Dr Claire Neilson, Educational Psychologist and Dr Carla Tomlinson, Specialist Educational Psychologist -neurodiversity*)



Course Date	Time	Closing date for applications	
Thursday 12 th October 2023	9.30am – 4pm	Monday 18 th September 2023	Application form

Places are not guaranteed this will depend on the number of applications received and to ensure multi-agency representation.

Confirmation that a place has been allocated and details of the venue will be forwarded to the nominee following the closing date for applications.

CHARGING POLICY

From 1st April 2023 the SSCP has re-introduced the non-attendance charging policy. Agencies will be charged if staff fail to attend if we are not informed of cancellation at least 5 working days before the session. This includes participants who arrive late and are not admitted by the trainers as they have missed a section of the course or participants who on the day inform the trainers they need to leave early. The charge will be £50.

