



Oliver McGowan Training on Learning Disabilities & Autism

Course Content

The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training on Learning Disability and Autism is named after Oliver McGowan, whose story and death has shone a light on the need for health and social care staff to have better training in understanding, communicating with and treating people with a learning disability and autistic people

This innovative training has been developed from the beginning with expertise from people with a learning disability and autistic people as well as their families and carers and its delivery has been led by NHS England, DHSC, Skills for Care and the Local Government Association. The training also aims to ensure the health and care workforce have the right skills and knowledge to provide safe, compassionate and informed care to autistic people and people with a learning disability. The Oliver McGowan Training comes in two tiers and is designed so all staff working across all CQC registered services receive the right level of mandatory training.

Target Audience

The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training on Learning Disability and Autism

Tier 1

For people who require general awareness of the support autistic people or people with a learning disability may need.



90 minutes

elearning with handbook

and



60 minutes

Online interactive session

or

Tier 2

For people who may need to provide care and support for autistic people or people with a learning disability.



90 minutes

elearning with handbook

and



1 day

Face to face training

Pre-course Requirements

The "Bedfordshire Hospitals – Oliver McGowan – Pre-Learning" learning certification must be completed on ESR before joining any tier of training.

You must complete the e-learning on ESR before attending the session. Please be aware that the introductory videos are of Oliver's mother describing the events that took place in a health care setting in the lead up to his death. These videos are very emotional, please ensure that you are in a safe space to complete the e-learning and you may find it easier and more comforting to complete it in a private space. If you would prefer not to watch the videos you can select to read the transcription.

Booking Instructions

Please contact a member of the Training and Learning Team to book:

Luton – trainingbookings@ldh.nhs.uk

Bedford – educationcentrebookings@bedfordhospital.nhs.uk



Tier 2 Classroom Dates (Bedford) – Full day - 09:00-17:00

Date	Time	Venue
Friday 23 rd February 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Friday 15 th March 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Monday 25 th March 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Wednesday 17 th April 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Wednesday 22 nd May 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Thursday 18 th July 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Wednesday 24 th July 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Tuesday 30 th July 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Wednesday 14 th August 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Friday 23 rd August 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Tuesday 27 th August 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Thursday 19 th September 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Monday 23 rd September 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Tuesday 1 st October 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Thursday 17 th October 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Thursday 24 th October 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Monday 28 th October 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Thursday 12 th December 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall
Friday 20 th December 2024	09:00-17:00	Bedford Borough Hall

To understand more about this training please watch this 5 minute video:

[The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training on Learning Disability and Autism - YouTube](#)