# FREE DRUG & ALCOHOL TRAINING (ONLINE) \*2024 DATES\*

Connect is a drug and alcohol support service funded by Wiltshire Council. Developing Health & Independence (DHI) are one of the delivery partners and we run free, interactive, online training courses for professionals working with young people. Recent years have seen us train over 500 professionals, courses which have been 96% evaluated as either 'excellent' or 'good'.

Last year, we launched two new courses: 'Alcohol Awareness (Young People)' and 'Parental Substance Misuse', as well as updating our popular 'Drug Awareness (Young People)' training.

These courses are particularly suitable for education, health and social care staff, the police, charity workers, foster carers, sports coaches and volunteers. Electronic certificates can be provided post-attendance.

## All courses begin at 10.00am.

# Drug Awareness (Young People) 2 hours, 30 minutes

An interactive course with information on young people's drug use locally & nationally, highlighting emerging trends. Also includes information on: street names, appearance, how taken, effects, risks, signs to look out for and changes in drug supply (social media, the dark web, & county lines). It concludes by looking at educational tools that can be used when working with young people.

Dates: 18th January, 23rd April, 19th September 2024

### Alcohol Awareness (Young People) 1 hour, 15 minutes

As well as giving a background to young alcohol use, these sessions teach professionals how to best work with young people when issues occur. The session looks at DHI's The Wrap and Drink Think tools, along with others.

Dates: 27th February, 16th May, 10th October 2024

### Parental Substance Misuse 1 hour, 15 minutes

'Parental substance misuse' is the long-term misuse of drugs and/or alcohol by a parent or carer. This course looks at:

- •Understanding the prevalence of parental substance misuse locally and nationally
- •Understanding the correlation of parental substance misuse and children in need referrals
- •Understanding the effects parental substance misuse has on children and young people
- •How substance misuse can have negative effects on children at different stages in their lives
- •The cycle of substance misuse in families.

Dates: 12th March, 13th June, 12th November 2024

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