

# INTRODUCTION to the FAMILY FUTURES ASSESSMENT HANDBOOK



11<sup>th</sup> November 2010

Registration:

Refreshments/Lunch provided

Islington, London

9.30am Start: 10.00am Close: 4.30pm

FEE: £150 + VAT

**Social Workers** know only too well that without a clear, evidence-based framework for assessing Looked After Children and their needs, significant details can be missed. If this happens, we run the risk of errors in the decision-making process, with the potential to threaten the stability of a subsequent placement. This interactive and highly rated workshop will introduce the comprehensive **ASSESSMENT FRAMEWORK** from the Family Futures 'Assessment Handbook'. The workshop will cover -

- **How to use the Assessment Framework**
  
- **How to assess -**
  - i) *the child's degree of trauma and attachment style*
  - ii) *whether a sibling group should be placed together or separately*
  - iii) *a child's needs for contact with birth relatives*
  - iv) *the sort of parenting the child needs, introducing the innovative **Family Futures** framework for matching*

Participants are encouraged to share their own experience of assessment to explore how the framework can be used in practice.

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

Staff from adoption, post-adoption, fostering and Looked After Children teams

### ***Who will present the course?***

Alan Burnell, Registered Manager, and Rachel Staff, Social Worker, Family Futures

### ***Will there be any handouts?*** Each participant will receive -

i) a copy of the **Handbook** ii) a **peer-training CD** with keynotes from the workshop, so that they can present the Handbook to colleagues on return to their own workplace, iii) **Attendance certificate** iv) **Consultation** with trainers, on issues that arise on using the Handbook after the workshop, is available by arrangement

### ***How do I book? Are there any more details?***

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