

The Lifespan Research Group is offering training to social workers, psychologists and other professionals in assessment tools around childhood neglect and abuse and adult attachment style. We are pleased to announce two new Attachment Style Interview (ASI) Supplementary Training Courses, available to professionals who have already trained in the ASI measure: Advanced ASI and Adolescent ASI.

Attachment Style Interview (ASI) training courses

The ASI is an established interview measure for the assessment of adult attachment style and support. It encompasses the quality of marital/partner relationship and support from close others, as well as ascertaining constraints on help-seeking (e.g. through mistrust or fear of rejection) to derive secure or type of insecure attachment style categories. The adult measure is currently used in assessing parents or carers in adoption-fostering or child care services. It is increasingly being explored as a tool in forensic services. The adolescent version is also used for adolescents Looked After in residential care. The workshops are suitable for social workers, psychologists and psychiatrist in children and family services as well as in perinatal and forensic services. The training occurs over three consecutive days. Further consultation on interview feedback, or help with interpretation for report writing is available from the Lifespan Team

Autumn ASI: 9, 10, 11 November 2010, Central London The 3-day course costs £450.

Please note that this particular ASI course is aimed at professionals working in research and clinical practice. Team trainings for social workers in adoption-fostering or child care services are provided by our partners Child and Family Training—for those courses contact jane.phythian@childandfamilytraining.org.uk.

For the above course taking place on 9-11 November contact Lifespantraining@rhu.ac.uk.

NEW: one-day supplement courses: Adolescent and Advanced ASI

For practitioners already trained in ASI we are pleased to be offering the following one day training workshops:

Advanced ASI Wednesday 23rd June (£175 one day).

For experienced users of the ASI this offers additional training around difficult to score cases, including those with problematic reporting styles and those with dual/disorganised attachment styles.

Adolescent ASI Wednesday 22nd September (£175 one day)

For trained ASI users, this course offers additional training on the use of the ASI in adolescent groups (aged 14 or more). Case examples used from research and Looked After Children series.

For enquiries and bookings contact Lifespantraining@rhu.ac.uk. For more details visit www.attachmentstyleinterview.com

Other courses run by Lifespan Research Group

In addition to training courses in Attachment Style Interview, we also offer the training in the following areas:

Childhood Experience of Care and Abuse (CECA) measure. CECA instrument can be used for research & clinical purposes, for evaluation of specific treatment interventions, case study formulation and evidence-based assessments and analyses – please visit www.cecainterview.com for more information.

Child Internet Abuse and Internet safety courses and workshops cover a range of issues including internet safety - protecting young people online and working with young victims of internet abuse. Courses are provided as general one-day open-booking courses (next course takes place on Wednesday 16 June 2010) or tailor-made to specific requirements of organisation or agency. All courses and workshops are run by experts with long experience in the field of child protection and internet policing – please visit www.cats-rp.org.uk for more information.

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The Lifespan Research Group, situated in Bedford Square, Central London, is a section of the Department of Health and Social Care, Royal Holloway, University of London, led by Professor Antonia Bifulco. The Lifespan team provides research services including evaluations, research consultancy and dissemination for social services, psychological services, the police and voluntary agencies involved with children and families. We offer training in assessment interviews and continued professional development for health and social care professionals, and psychologists and psychiatrists working in clinical practice.

The Lifespan team undertakes research projects on issues of psychosocial risk and resilience for psychological disorder, including childhood neglect/abuse, adult adversity, partner relationships, support and attachment style across the lifespan. The team publishes regularly in psychological, psychiatric and social science journals.

The Lifespan team is committed to knowledge exchange between

universities and public and voluntary services. It is a co-founder of the Centre for Abuse and Trauma Studies (CATS) which seeks to provide CPD training and research dissemination to a wide range of professionals in health, social care and criminal justice services.

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