

Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards

Introduction

The Mental Capacity Act: Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards procedure (MCA DoLS) provides the legal framework to prevent unlawful deprivation of liberty occurring to particular vulnerable people living in hospitals or care homes.

Duration:60 minutes



Audience

This course is for all people who work:

- With vulnerable adults
- In hospitals and care homes
- In Social Care who have responsibility for implementing the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards

Objectives

This course will enable you to know:

- What the deprivation of liberty safeguards are
- The background and the law to the safeguards
- Who the safeguards apply to
- What deprivation of liberty is
- When a person can be deprived of their liberty
- The difference between restraint and deprivation of liberty
- Situations which can lead to deprivation of liberty
- Strategies to help prevent deprivation of liberty
- The process of identifying risk and requesting authorisation
- The 'standard' and 'urgent authorisation process
- The requirement to keep good records
- The six assessments
- The role of the Independent Mental Capacity Advocate
- What happens when the assessments are completed and the requirements are not met / met
- The relevant person's representative
- Authorisation and review
- Applications to the Court of Protection
- The role of the Care Quality Commission
- Unauthorised deprivation of liberty

Modules

This course contains the following modules:

Module name

Background and the Law The Authorisation Process

Content

Here are a few of the topics covered in this course:

What is the assessment and authorisation process? | What are the responsibilities of the supervisory body? | What happens if a deprivation of liberty is not occurring in a hospital of care home? | Identifying risk and requesting authorisation | How to use the Code of Practice | The importance of keeping good records | Urgent authorisations and timescales | The role of assessors | The six assessments | The role of the Independent Mental Capacity Advocate (IMCA) | What happens when requirements are not met | What happens when requirements are met | The role of the Relevant Person's Representative (RPR) | Checks and Reviews | Authorisation terminated | Continue with DOLS | The powers of the Court of Protection | The role of the Care Quality Commission | Unauthorised Deprivation of Liberty



