

What is Total Respect

In 1999 The Department of Health arranged for a Children's Rights training pack to be developed. The pack was to promote looked after children's and young people's participation within local authorities.

The government said that listening to looked after children and young people, And enabling them to participate fully in decision making at all levels of the looked after system, was no longer negotiable.

Total Respect focuses on the basic human right of "listening to children and young people and taking their ideas seriously". That right is written in the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child and the Human Rights Act, 1998.

Total Respect has been developed with young people and is being delivered throughout the country by young people who are care experienced.

What will delegates learn?

Their responsibilities to listen, consult and consider the views of looked after children and care leavers.

The child's right to influence their care.

How to use the voice of the child to improve your practice and achieve the Total Respect Quality Mark.

How best to engage, empower and encourage children and young people to participate.

What are the benefits?

Improve your practice
Use the voice of the child in all of the work that you do.
Achieve the Total Respect Quality Mark.

Who is this course for?

Staff working with children looked after and care leavers. Job roles may include social workers, family support workers, residential workers, police and teachers.