Child Protection: From examination to court (Level 3)

Education & Professional Development team
Paediatricians have a key role in both providing written evidence and presenting as a professional witness in family, criminal or civil proceedings in child protection cases. This two-day course provides paediatricians with the skills required to fulfil these duties.

Date: 3 March 2020 - 4 March 2020
Time: 08.30 - 17.15
Location

RCPCH
5-11 Theobalds Road
London
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Spaces available

- Trainee - £450
- RCPCH Member - £500
- Non-RCPCH member - £665

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The best safeguarding course I have attended, pitched at exactly the right level. Incredibly useful. I will recommend it to all my junior and consultant colleagues!

Overview
The RCPCH has developed this extremely popular and successful course in conjunction with medical and legal experts who bring vast amounts of experience from within the safeguarding sector.

They will work with you to understand the structure, language and specifications of professional witness reports expected by different court systems, using a report you will be required to submit in advance as part of this course.

You will also be given the opportunity to testify in a mock trial scenario with dedicated legal experts providing guidance and feedback to help build your confidence.

You will be required to submit a professional witness report based on a case allocated by the College which will be used in your mock trail at least 10 working days before the start of the course. If no report is submitted, you will not be able to participate in the mock trials.

In addition, you will learn more about key areas of knowledge in child protection, such as consent and performing examinations, ensuring you are equipped to deal with all common concerns that arise in child protection cases.

**Course aims**

To equip paediatricians involved in child protection cases with the skills to gather evidence as part of clinical practice and effectively present this within professional witness reports and court testimony.

This course has improved my report writing skills and I'm now aware of how to structure it. It has also made me aware of what actually is expected from us (doctors) on being witnesses.

**Learning outcomes**

By the end of this course you will be able to:

- produce professional witness reports to the court's required specifications
- testify in court as a professional witness with the skills and confidence required to provide the best possible outcomes for the child
- deal with common child protection concerns that arise in your clinical practice.

**Target audience and course requirements**

This course is suitable for:

- paediatric trainees at ST levels 6-8
- SAS doctors
- consultant paediatricians

Delegates must submit a professional witness report based on a case allocated by the College at least 10 working days before the course. This will be used in the mock trial session. (If not submitted, you will not be able to participate in the mock trial session.)
I have a new confidence in attending court!

Downloads
CPEC course programme 83.8 KB