Building Rigorous Safety Plans in High-risk Child Protection Cases

A One-Day Workshop with **Dr Andrew Turnell**

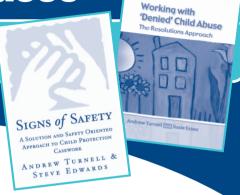
18th September 2009

Woburn House Conference Centre in Bloomsbury (Nr Euston, London)

This one-day workshop will:

- Describe clear processes for creating in-the-home, everyday safety plans that directly address the child protection concerns which are collaboratively created with the family, that everyone understands – including, and most especially, the children
- Describe how to involve all key professionals in working with the family to create these safety plans
- Be grounded in actual case examples involving safety plans relating to all categories of child maltreatment, including situations of sexual and physical abuse, children's exposure to severe domestic violence and neglect
- Explore how to create on-the-ground safety plans even where parents/caregivers dispute or deny the professionals' maltreatment concerns/allegations
- Draw upon video recordings of professionals and parents describing their experience of using and living with these sorts of safety plans

Early Booking DiscountBefore 1st April 2009



Who should attend:

The workshop will be of primary interest to:

- Local Authority social workers and managers
- Children's guardians
- Independent social workers
- Independent chairs
- Family law solicitors/barristers
- Family support groups/advocates
- Health professionals involved in child protection
- Voluntary agencies involved in family support
- Social work trainers
- Independent reviewing officers
- Member agencies of Local Safeguarding Children's Boards



Workshop organised by In-Trac Training & Consultancy Ltd PO Box 74, Haslemere, Surrey GU27 2YP A list of services a family must attend is a service plan, it is **not** a safety plan. A meaningful safety plan involves working together with the family and their own networks to create and maintain specific changes in the famillies everyday living arrangements so everyone knows the child is safe.

uilding meaningful safety plans is the hardest task in working with high-risk child protection cases – it is far easier to send parents to another course or treatment programme than to define what constitutes enough safety to close the case and/or reunify the family. This one-day workshop takes direct aim at this issue to provide participants with specific ideas, skills and processes for working with parents, children and the family's naturally occurring network to build rigorous, sustainable safety plans that address the child protection concerns. This workshop, which is particularly topical at a time where child protection practice is again being so scrutinised because of the 'baby P' case, is designed for all professionals working in child protection whether in the statutory or voluntary sector. All of the material presented in this workshop will be grounded in and demonstrated through practice examples and will include video material of professionals and parents describing their experience of the safety planning work.



Dr Andrew Turnell

is an internationally recognised independent social worker, family therapist and child protection consultant. While the child protection field is over-organised by anxiety and failure, Andrew's work focuses on

fostering, amplifying and describing, constructive on-the-ground child protection practice that creates meaningful safety for children in high-risk cases. Andrew is the cocreator of the Signs of Safety approach to child protection casework and co-author of the Resolutions approach for working with

<u>Programme</u>

9.00am Registration & coffee

9.30am Introduction -

- Rigorous safety plans that create everyday safety for children
- Participatory exercise focused on a child sexual abuse case
- Core principles of effective on-the ground safety plans

11.00am Coffee

- Elements of effective safety plans that directly address child protection concerns
- Breaking the secrecy; talking openly with everyone about the maltreatment concerns
- Defining and focusing the work on what needs to be seen to satisfy everyone the child is safe
- Involving parents and naturally occurring extended family and friends network
- Learning exercise focused on a domestic violence situation

12.45pm Lunch

- Creating plans that involve, are understandable to and place children at the centre of the plans
- Examples of safety plans in situations of addiction and mental illness
- Learning exercise creating a safety plan with a suicidal single mother
- Addressing factors that trigger maltreatment

3.00pm Tea

- Video example of parents and workers describing their experience of this sort of safety planning work
- Applying safety planning from the very first contact with families – example of baby born with methyl-amphetamines

4.30pm Discussion Focused on Learning & Final Outcomes

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'denied' child abuse. Andrew regularly works directly or as a consultant in creating safety plans for families dealing with all types of child abuse. Andrew teaches regularly around the world and acts as an ongoing consultant to child protection systems and agencies in New Zealand, Europe, Japan, Canada and USA. At the beginning of 2008, Andrew began leading a system-wide, five-year Signs of Safety implementation within the Department for Child Protection across Western Australia (this jurisdiction serves 1.8 million). For more information visit: www.signsofsafety.net

Booking Form

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Rates

Including lunch, refreshments and delegate packs:

Early Booking Discount:

£180.00 + £27.00 VAT (Total £207.00) if received by 1st April 2009

Standard Rate: £205.00 + £30.75 VAT (Total £235.75)

Group bookings of five or more:

£165.00 + £24.75 VAT (Total £189.75) if received by 1st April 2009

or

£180.00 + £27.00 VAT (Total £207.00) if received after 1st April 2009

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Cheques should be made payable to: In-Trac Ltd and sent to In-Trac Training and Consultancy Ltd, PO Box 74, Haslemere, Surrey GU27 2YP. If payment is not received prior to the workshop date, there will be an additional administration charge of £50.00 per delegate.

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