



Understand how early experiences affect children

Children's Brain and Emotional Development: What people working with children really need know





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What will you gain?

This course will allow you to:

- Explore how early experiences shape the structure and functioning of our brains and nervous systems, and how this is seen in children's behaviours
- Make sense of children's behaviours and mental states by linking these to family background, biological inheritance and emotional contexts
- Gain an awareness of how the brain and nervous system develop, and the impact of early experiences on how children behave, think and feel
- Understand the impact of adverse experiences, and how emotional growth and resilience can develop as a result of new experiences
- Apply this knowledge to your own interactions with children and young people understanding that change is always possible, even in our brains.



How will you learn?

- Explore key concepts through interactive lecture content and videos
- Deepen your understanding via regular opportunities for reflection
- Consider a Case Study to help apply the theory to your work
- Test your knowledge with a multiple-choice quiz, and unlock a certificate



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