

The revised Mental Health Act Code of Practice came in to effect on April 1st 2015. It provides statutory guidance to Doctors, Approved Clinicians, Approved Mental Health Professionals, and managers and staff of health care providers. It is also relevant to Commissioners of health services, the police, ambulance staff and others in health and social services. The Code has new chapters on human rights, mental capacity and deprivation of liberty, the Care Programme Approach, and information for victims. The revisions reflect recent case law such as the Supreme Court judgment in the Cheshire West and MIG and MEG v Surrey cases, and the Enfield decision on consultation with nearest relatives.

With the increasing demands on various services, many staff find it challenging to quickly familiarise themselves with such a significant, but vital document. This course will give delegates the opportunity to quickly grasp the most pertinent features of the Code in order to successfully apply them in their work and comply with the legal requirement to follow the Code. Delegates will also have the opportunity to ask questions about the new Code tailored to their individual needs.

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- key changes in the Code that will affect practice;
- the status of the Code and when it is possible to depart from it;
- the revised principles;
- human rights issues;
- the significance of recent case law;
- finding a bed;
- AMHP reports;
- section 117 after-care;
- information for victims.

Exercises will consolidate the learning process and allow delegates to explore the subject matter in more detail.

Q & A – the day will end with a question and answer session to clarify any outstanding queries

The course will be delivered by
Rob Brown

Rob was a founding director of Edge. He is a social worker and a leading, highly respected expert in this field. He teaches AMHPs, s12 doctors and Approved Clinicians in England, Wales and the Isle of Man. He provides consultancy and supervision for a team of AMHPs and Best Interests Assessors in Cornwall. Rob is also consultant for Lead AMHPs in Lambeth and Hampshire. He is the author of several texts on mental health and mental capacity law including “The AMHP’s Guide to Mental Health Law” (3rd edition, 2013, Sage). Rob is a Visiting Fellow at Bournemouth University.

Course date & location

 **Date**
20th November 2015

 **Time**
10:00am to 4:00pm

 **Venue**
Lincoln’s Inn
London
WC2A 3TL
(Chancery Lane or Holborn underground stations)

Booking details

Places are limited so early booking is recommended.

To book and pay online go to

 EventBrite.co.uk and

search for: **Mental Capacity & Best Interest Assessments - Advanced**

OR

 For a booking form and invoice, email: events@edgetraining.org.uk

Cost

£115 +VAT including refreshments (but not lunch) and all course materials