Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards

Course description:
This 3 hour course is a general awareness session designed to give participants an overview of the fundamentals of this piece of legislation.

Content:
This course covers the following aspects:

- What is the Mental Capacity Act?
- What is Mental Capacity?
- What can affect Capacity?
- The 5 principles
- Capacity assessments
- Advanced Decisions
- Best Interests
- What is Deprivation of Liberty?
- What are the safeguards and who may they apply to?
- Why were they introduced?
- How and when can a Deprivation of Liberty be applied for and authorised?
- Who are the Supervisory Bodies and Managing Authorities?
- The assessment process and what it involves
- Who are the people that may be involved and what are their roles?
- What is a Best Interests Assessor?
- Who reviews the authorisation of Deprivation of Liberty
- The procedures and processes involved when an individual feels someone is being deprived of their liberties without authorisation
- The Court of Protection
- How people can apply to the Court of Protection
- Monitoring the Safeguards
- Deprivation of Liberty structure, support and contacts

Objectives:
By the end of the session participants will be able to explain:

- What the Mental Capacity Act is and how it accompanies Deprivation of Liberty
- The 5 principles of the Mental Capacity Act
- What Deprivation of Liberty is and how it is applied for and authorised
- Who the Supervisory Bodies and Managing Authorities are
- The assessment process and what it involves
- Who is involved and their roles with regard to Deprivation of Liberty
- The roles, responsibilities and boundaries of personnel in relation to Deprivation of Liberty
- What to do if they feel someone is being deprived of liberty
- What the Court of Protection is and how to apply