

the Legal Rights of carers - dispelling the myths facilitator guide

learning outcome

Your staff will be able to explain carers' legal rights and their own roles and responsibilities in supporting those rights.

learning method

Quiz with PowerPoint presentation.

time required

Approximately 1 hour.

facilitator notes

1. Before embarking on training on carer legislation and guidance you are advised to familiarise yourself thoroughly with:
 - a. Relevant and up to date carer legislation, government policy and guidance.
Useful information can be found on the following websites:
www.dh.gov.uk
www.carersuk.org
www.princessroyaltrust.org.uk
www.carersnet.co.uk
www.ageconcern.org.uk
www.afiyatrust.org.uk

It is particularly important to review all materials that cover legislation as these can soon become out of date and hence incorrect. This also applies to the materials provided within this resource.

- b. Relevant local authority policies and procedures relating to carers in order to respond to questions about local interpretation of carers legislation and guidance.

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2. Give participants a copy of activity six handout and ask them in pairs to decide if the statements are true or false.
3. Bring the group back together and using the activity six PowerPoint work through the answers one at a time with participants. Invite responses to each question and using the slides highlight key legislation which gives carers their own legal rights to assessment and services.

what other approaches might I consider?

- Shall I select certain statements and slides, depending on the focus of the training and the time available?
- Could I invite participants to identify what they see as being the legal rights of the carer using a locally developed case study and get them to explore in small groups how the legislation and guidance that they have just explored supports those rights?

Common core principles covered by this activity: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 & 8.