***Skilling Them Softly:  
Understanding the Particular Needs***

***of Looked After Children and Young People in Schools***



**Belfast**

**27th September 2018**

**For educators in mainstream and special settings, who want to learn more about working and supporting children who are ‘Looked After’, and/or have experienced adversity**

This one day workshop aims to consider how the needs of LAC differ from their peers who are not in the care system; and to suggest steps that schools can take steps to ensure that all children, including the most vulnerable, experience school as a positive, safe, supportive environment.

Delegates will explore:

* Understanding the particular needs of LAC and young people
* What is attachment and why does it matter?
* Trauma and attachment
* Understanding and responding to behaviour
  + Survival mode spotting
  + Interpreting behaviour
  + Case studies
  + Making it through the day
  + The Safe Base model in schools
  + Closing activity
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While the workshop takes a particular focus on LAC, it is relevant for all educators and other practitioners who work with children and young people whose lives contain chaos and uncertainty. This includes those who are adopted from care, who live with kinship carers, or living in adverse home situations, where needs are unmet.

**We anticipate high levels of interest. Please book early to secure your place**

**Date:** 27th September 2018, 9.30 to 3.00.

**Venue**: Holiday Inn Express, 106a University Street, Queen’s Quarter, Belfast, BT7 1HP

**Fee:** £140+VAT for first delegate, £120+VAT for additional delegates.

To reserve your place, call Jennifer Nock on 07983 482 804/01384 392599, E-mail [jnock@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jnock@hotmail.co.uk) or complete and post the booking form below. Please complete a separate form for each delegate.

Please note that this workshop can be tailored to meet the specific needs of your staff and can be delivered as a full- or part-day INSET session in your setting. Contact us for more information.

**Application form Skilling Them Softly Belfast 27th September 2018**

**Please complete in block capitals**

**CANCELLATION POLICY:**

**IF YOU CANCEL YOUR PLACE ON THE WORKSHOP WITH LESS THAN 48 HOURS PRIOR NOTICE BEING GIVEN, THE FULL COURSE FEE WILL BE CHARGED**

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| **Do you have any dietary or access requirements? If yes, please give brief details.** | |

**I enclose a cheque for £……………………… made payable to Jennifer Nock**

**TRAINING AND CONSULTANCY**

**Please invoice the school or other organisation**

**Authorised signature (+ Name in Block Caps.): …………………**

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