

COURSE TITLE:

MENTAL CAPACITY ACT & DOLS

MODULE	MODULE NAME	OBJECTIVE
1	Introduction to the Mental Capacity Act	To understand what the Mental Capacity Act is, who it applies to, why it is important, and how it protects individual rights and supports decision making.
2	Mental Health Legislation	To understand the Mental Capacity Act & Mental Health Act, their key principles, & how they protect the rights & freedoms of individuals.
3	Understanding Key Terms	To understand key terms including mental capacity, best interests, valid consent, least restrictive option, autonomy, IMCA, & Lasting Power of Attorney.
4	The Five Statutory Principles	To understand the five statutory principles of the Mental Capacity Act, including presumption of capacity, support, unwise decisions, best interests, & least restrictive options.
5	Capacity Assessment	To understand when capacity assessments are required, the two-stage test, & how to determine whether a person can make a specific decision.
6	Best Interest Decisions	To understand how best interest decisions are made, including participation, wishes & feelings, relevant circumstances, & consultation with others.
7	Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards	To understand when restrictions may amount to a deprivation of liberty, how DoLS are assessed and authorised, & how safeguards protect individual rights and freedom.