

# The Multi-Agency Approach to Dealing with Mental Health in Children and Young People

# **Module Information**

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# **Summary Information**

Module Code	7114PSCPD	
Formal Module Title	The Multi-Agency Approach to Dealing with Mental Health in Children and Young People	
Owning School	Justice Studies	
Career	Postgraduate Taught	
Credits	20	
Academic level	FHEQ Level 7	
Grading Schema	50	

#### Teaching Responsibility

LJMU Schools involved in Delivery	
Justice Studies	

# **Learning Methods**

Learning Method Type	Hours
Lecture	22
Workshop	2

# Module Offering(s)

Display Name	Location	Start Month	Duration Number Duration Unit
APR-MTP	МТР	April	12 Weeks
JAN-MTP	МТР	January	12 Weeks
SEP-MTP	МТР	September	12 Weeks

# **Aims and Outcomes**

Aims	This programme will critically examine the multi-agency approach in assessing, understanding and dealing with mental health in children and young people, from the perspective of the front- line practitioners involved in teaching, policing and health-care. After initially considering the varying types of mental disorder that children and young people may suffer from, together with the signs and symptoms that are associated with those conditions, the module follows a developing case study throughout each of the following sessions. Students will evaluate how the issues may manifest and are then managed by the teaching professional within a classroom environment before considering the role of the police service when called upon to respond to such an issue. Having studied the responsibilities of the police professional in initially dealing with all aspects of a child or young person who is suffering from a mental disorder - as a potential victim, witness or offender, the programme then considers the role of health-care professionals who will become involved in such cases and the options available for treatment. The student will evaluate the respective role and responsibilities of the agencies involved in the relevant multi-agency safeguarding arrangements, procedures and protocols and assess how these agencies work together in addressing all aspects of such cases including the interventions and support, both to the individual and those affected.
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### After completing the module the student should be able to:

## Learning Outcomes

Code	Number	Description
MLO1	1	Critically assess the variation of mental health disorders that may affect children and young people and how such conditions may present
MLO2	2	Critically evaluate the individual role and responsibilities of key professionals in teaching, policing and health care when dealing with all aspects of such cases
MLO3	3	Critically assess the areas of potential dilemma and professional conflict that may arise between agencies and the options to resolve
MLO4	4	Critically evaluate the various agencies involved in dealing with mental health in children and young people and how key professionals and agencies work together to address the issues and support those involved

# **Module Content**

Mental Disorders that Children and Young People may suffer from - the Signs and Symptoms and how to AssessThe Teacher / Classroom Perspective – Current Guidelines, Supporting Agencies and the Involvement of Parents / carersEscalation of the problem, Current Guidelines and Options for ActionThe Police Perspective – Responding to Incidents; Police Powers, Guidelines and ResponsibilitiesPolice Powers and the Safeguards for Detainees and Their Release from Police DetentionThe Health-Care Perspective – Frontline Professionals, Mental Health Specialists and the Current GuidelinesAvailable Treatments, Outcomes and Comparison with Adult Mental Health ServicesJoint Agency Safeguarding – Understanding individual and Organisational roles and responsibilities, the Multi-Agency Approach and the Current safeguarding arrangements, procedures and protocols

#### Module Overview

Additional Information

Programme code: 36239There are no professional body requirements at present. Developments of the College of Policing are constantly monitored and incorporated, where appropriate.Benchmark Statement:There are no subject benchmarks for police studies but cognisance has been takenof the evolving police professionalisation agenda and where applicable therequirements of the College of Policing, together with appropriate NationalOccupational Standards for policing set out by Skills for Justice, the BenchmarkStatements for Criminology and other QAA Benchmark Statements whenappropriate.Mode and Duration of Study:This CPD module will be offered on a part time basis and through delivery on-site (at LJMU), off-site or through a blended delivery process incorporating some distance learning where necessary. The university's Virtual Learning Environment, Canvas, will be utilised to support the delivery of this programme. This programme will be available from March 2019 and whilst the intake month is flexible, it is possible to commence the programme in semester 1, semester 2 or during the summer period. The duration of study will usually be across 18 weeks, Criteria for Admission: The entry requirement is a first degree at 2:2 or above, international equivalent. This CPD module is open to recruitment for Police Officers or PoliceStaff and to those working in the teaching and healthcare professions. It is also ofrelevance to individuals in other law enforcement and partner agencies who willdeal with issues around mental health in children and young people as a key element of their work processes.Name of Final Award:Certificate of Professional Development - The Multi-Agency Approach to Dealing with Mental Health in Children and Young People.Student Support: The University aims to provide students with access to appropriate and timelyinformation, support and guidance to ensure that they are able to benefit fully fromtheir time at LJMU. All students are assigned a Personal Tutor to provide academicsupport and when necessary signpost students to the appropriate University supportservices. Student Advice and Wellbeing Services provide students with advice, support andinformation, particularly in the areas of; student funding and financial matters, disability, advice and support to international students, study support, accommodation, health, wellbeing and counselling. Assessment Regulations: As a programme leading to academic award by LJMU, this module operates within the University's Academic Framework, details of which are available at https://www.ljmu.ac.uk/about-us/public-information/academic-qualityandregulations/academic-frameworkAttendance RequirementsStudents should strive to attend all taught sessions in line with the University's Attendance Policy. This course was written in March 2019. Methods for Evaluating and Improving Quality: All programmes leading to LJMU awards have been designed and approved inaccordance with the UK Quality Code for Higher Education, including the Frameworkfor Higher Education Qualifications in the UK (FHEQ) and subject benchmarkstatements where applicable. The University is subject to periodic review of itsquality and standards by the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA), published reviewreports are available on the QAA website at www.gaa.ac.ukThe University uses the results of student feedback from internal and external student surveys, module evaluation questionnaires and meetings with student representatives to improve the guality of programmes. The guality of teaching is assured through staff review and staff development in learning, teaching and assessment All programmes are reviewed annually and periodically, informed by a range of dataand feedback, to ensure quality and standards of programmes and to makeimprovements. The University is maintaining the threshold academic standards set for awards inaccordance with the FHEQ and applicable subject benchmark state

## Assessments

Assignment Category	Assessment Name	Weight	Exam/Test Length (hours)	Module Learning Outcome Mapping
Essay	2500 Word Essay	60	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4
Essay	Presentation and Poster	40	0	MLO1, MLO2, MLO3, MLO4

# **Module Contacts**

### Module Leader

Contact Name	Applies to all offerings	Offerings
Daniel Silverstone	Yes	N/A

#### Partner Module Team