| Shropshire Virtual School Summer term 2025 Training overview for social care colleagues | | | | |
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| **Training title** | **Date and time** | **Venue** | **Overview** | **Click the icon below to register** |
| Language matters | 7<sup>th</sup> May 2025 11:30am-1:30pm | Online webinar hosted by Become Charity | **Course participants will learn about:**<br>• The terminology often used within the care system and the impact this may have on care-experienced young people.<br>• Young peoples' suggestions, enabling them to ensure the way they communicate is accessible, clear and sensitive.<br>Language that empowers rather than stigmatises. | click here |
| Attendance and inclusion | 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025 1-3pm | Teams | **School Attendance and Inclusion Training for Social Care Professionals supporting children and young people aged 4 to 16**<br><br>Delivered by Lead Education Officers from Education Access and Virtual School, this training will provide statutory and essential guidance for professionals working with school aged children (4 - 16 years) including:<br><br>• Updates on the new DfE Working Together to Improve School Attendance guidance including expectations of good school attendance and partnership working<br>• Shropshire LA working practices and support available<br>• The importance of early intervention and how to support children and young people at risk of low | click here |

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| Dream, believe, achieve | 12th June 2025 1-3pm | Teams | **Supporting parents, carers, teachers and social care practitioners being ambitious with our young people**<br><br>A session to help you think ahead in supporting young people with:<br>· Choosing options at secondary school<br>· GCSEs and other accreditations<br>· Early planning for post-16 courses/training/employment/apprenticeships<br>· Finance (for post-16 and university)<br>· Higher Education possibilities | click here |
| Making a difference at PEPs – Early years – KS4 | 2nd July 2025 12-1:30pm | Teams | **Every one of our young people deserves a good quality Personal Education Plan (PEP)**<br><br>*Come and meet our Virtual School Teacher who leads on PEPs for the Shropshire Virtual School and find out:*<br><br>• *all about PEPs – what are they and why are they important?*<br><br>• *how the carer's role is key*<br><br>• *how you can be well prepared for the PEP meeting* | click here |

| | | | | Bring along your questions, e.g.:<br><br>• How do I know if my child is doing well or not?<br><br>• How can we use Pupil Premium + ? | |
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| Virtual School and our processes | 3rd July 2025 2-4pm | Teams | | An overview of the Shropshire Virtual School, our processes and how we support looked after, previously looked after and children with social worker. | click here |
| Making a difference at PEPs – KS5 | 7th July 2025 12-1:30pm | Teams | | **Our New Shropshire KS5 PEP launched on 2nd September 2024.**<br>**Essential KS5 PEP training is happening NOW.**<br>Free online training for colleges, social care practitioners and carers for KS5<br><br>• See a demonstration of the new PEP<br>• Be aware of what is changing<br>• A chance to ask any questions<br><br>**We aim for every one of our Looked After Children to have a Good Quality PEP with your help.** | click here |
| Ensuring rights and entitlements | 15th July 2025 9:30am-12:30pm | Webinar hosted by Become Charity | | **Course participants will learn about:**<br>• Eligibility status criteria - The difference between statutory and local entitlements.<br>• The role of the local authority and what to expect from other agencies.<br>• The importance of planning early for leaving care and the role of the pathway plan.<br>• Supporting children and young people to advocate for themselves.<br>What to do when no one is listening. | click here |

| Emotion coaching | 17th July 2025 1-3pm | The Guildhall, Frankwell Quay, Shrewsbury, SY3 8HB | A session for social care practitioners and early help colleagues to learn about and practice, Emotion Coaching techniques which will support managing, behaviour and relationships. | click here |