

Pre-course information for learners on Tier 2 Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training in Learning Disability and Autism (Oliver's Training)

Pre-reading and Learner Resources: The Tier 2 Oliver's training is structured into a morning and an afternoon session. The morning looks at Learning Disability and the afternoon looks at Autism. You will be sent a Pre-course Reading Document which contains very important information about key legislation and standards which cannot be covered in depth on the course itself. **Delegates must read this booklet before attending the training.**

In addition, there is a Tier 2 Learning Disability Delegate Handbook to accompany the morning session and a Tier 2 Autism Delegate Handbook to accompany the afternoon session. You will be sent these with your course confirmation. These are useful reference guides and resources for reflection. You may wish to print them out in advance of the training and bring them with you. There are sections to make your own notes which you may find useful during the training. It is not essential to bring the delegate handbooks with you on the day, and we will not be able to provide copies.

eLearning: Delegates must complete the Oliver McGowan Training eLearning before attending the face-to-face session. This can be accessed in a number of ways. Your organisation may host it on their own learning system, alternatively it can be accessed via:

- the Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin Learning Portal: <https://mel-lms.online/stwicb/signup/ommt/>
- eLearning for Healthcare: [The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training on Learning Disability and Autism - elearning for healthcare](#)
- or if you are a Shropshire Council employee, via Leap into Learning: [Course: The Oliver McGowan Mandatory Training on Learning Disability and Autism © Part 1 of 2](#)

The Tier 2 face-to-face session refers to the eLearning package and participants will need to recall information from this during the session. In circumstances where as many as 6 months have elapsed, participants are asked to refresh their memory ahead of attending the Tier 2 session. The e-Learning package can be replayed and revisited, and learners will also be sent the eLearning [Oliver McGowan Handbook](#) to enable them to refresh their knowledge.

Co-trainers with Lived Experience: During the training, when asking questions, please avoid jargon and acronyms and allow time for co-trainers with lived experience to understand and answer the question. This session will be a safe space in which you are encouraged to ask questions, even basic or difficult ones. We ask that everyone is treated with respect and personal information is not shared.

Sensitive content: The training may contain sensitive content within the context of the training subject. Please be aware of this content for your own well-being and seek support should you need to.

If you have any further questions or queries before attending, please contact joint.training@shropshire.gov.uk.

We look forward to seeing you at the training.