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Virtual Learning Tools

Our online learning tools replicate real practice in virtual locations, enabling users to develop real life skills and reflect on experiences.



Safeguarding Adults at Risk

Developed in partnership with Toolwire, this tool is designed for pre-qualifying and newly qualified social work students in their Assessed and Supported Year in Practice. In the tool, the learner plays the part of a newly qualified Social Worker working with an adult with dementia, following the process of an adult safeguarding case under the supervision of their line manager. Learners interact with real life characters as they undertake observations and assessments and apply legal and policy frameworks. The learner works in collaboration with service users and carers and with other members of the multidisciplinary team in adult safeguarding practice.

Experiential learning enables the learner to practice skills and decision making in complex cases and to integrate theories and practice. The tool replicates practice and so provides an immersive learning experience.

The learner will experience an authentic and engaging learning environment that combines sound pedagogical principles with innovative technologies. This important tool enhances the use of virtual and physical learning spaces, and early impact analysis suggests it improves student learning.

Feedback includes:

'Because the story was so true to life, I found myself hooked right from the start. Having the support of another Social Worker and a manager was really helpful.'

'I was also able to engage emotionally and get a real feel of the service users emotions as well as my own, being able to actually learn how to communicate effectively with a service user with dementia and their family. Overall a learning experience, which I thoroughly enjoyed and which has had a lasting impact.'

Key Features

- Experiential learning
- Opportunity for learners to be involved in the construction of their own knowledge
- Frequent formative feedback from authentic interactions with colleagues and other professionals and from activities and exercises throughout
- Built in remediation loops
- Ability to view key documents in the learning context
- Reflective learning is embedded throughout

Learning Outcomes

- To apply observation skills, assessment and decision making when working with vulnerable adults.
- To apply key legal and policy processes to inform decision making.
- To apply effective communication strategies to engage with service users and carers, and make decisions in a multidisciplinary context.

Price

The cost per individual learner is £125. For groups of learners or bespoke package prices please contact us at **virtuallearning@leedsbeckett.ac.uk**

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