



Level 2: Working with Women Sex Workers

This CPD accredited course offers invaluable insights into working with women involved in sex work, based on the substantial frontline experiences of Basis Yorkshire and our in-depth knowledge of local, national and international research. The course aims to help delegates gain a comprehensive understanding of the context of sex work in England, including the different areas of and routes into sex work, the myths and prejudices sex workers face, the barriers sex workers face in accessing services and good practice principles and provisions to support those involved. This highly-acclaimed course enables delegates to be more knowledgeable, compassionate, confident and effective in engaging with women sex workers. It is delivered by a frontline practitioner with extensive experience of working directly with sex workers, as well as an in-depth understanding of policy and national context, and brought to life with input from sex workers in the form of resources, quotes and case studies.

Who is this course aimed at?

Sex Work Projects and third sector or statutory organisations that provide services to or work with sex workers (indoor and street). This could include: Substance Abuse services, Health services (incl. mental health, sexual health, GPs and hospital staff), Police, Probation services, charities (women's, homelessness, health, DV, SV, substance abuse, criminal justice).

What this course covers:

- The context of sex work in England
- Challenging myths and prejudices that sex workers face
- Laws governing sex work including different legal models
- Reasons for women's involvement in, and routes into, sex work
- Sex workers' experiences of safety, crime & violence
- Key issues affecting engagement with sex workers including trauma, stigma, coercion and DV, substance abuse, migration, health and housing including context, interrelationships and barriers to access
- Best practice principles & approaches for working with women involved in sex work

We can also offer specialist training tailored to housing support workers. The course is offered as an Open Course or bespoke to your organisation. It can also be delivered as an online training.

In-Person Training Time: 9:30 – 4:30 (full day)

Online Training Time: 10-3pm (5 hours)

'I learned so much, so many important aspects were covered. It's great to know how integrated Sex Workers are into Basis.' Open Course attendee

Please contact info-basis@basisyorkshire.org.uk for more information.