



Relational Approaches

Restorative Justice Processes

5 Day Training Event

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This course has been designed to enable trainees . . .

- to gain an appreciation of the core values, theory and processes of restorative justice;
- to be aware of how restorative justice currently fits into existing justice or disciplinary systems;
- to develop an empathetic understanding of the experiences of all those who might participate in a restorative justice process;
- to make ethical and principled decisions about best practice; and
- to develop the skills involved in facilitating 6 processes:
 - Restorative Justice Conferences
 - Restorative Justice Meetings
 - Shuttle Dialogue
 - Restorative Circles
 - Restorative Conversations (for Persons Harmed)
 - Restorative Conversations (for Persons Responsible)

The training event is run in an interactive, experiential style, with short presentations, small-group work, role-plays and videos. Participants also receive a procedures manual and written materials relating to the content of the course.

Processes:

1. **Restorative Justice Conferences** are meetings attended by the Person(s) Harmed, the Person(s) Responsible, support persons and, where appropriate, invited persons.
2. **Restorative Justice Meetings** are attended only by the Person(s) Harmed and the Person(s) Responsible. They are used where support persons and invited persons would be unnecessary or unhelpful.
3. **Shuttle Dialogue** involves the Facilitator acting as a 'go-between' to enable the Person(s) Harmed and the Person(s) Responsible to have a constructive dialogue. It is used where they cannot or do not wish to meet each other.
4. **Restorative Circles** are held when all those who have been harmed or affected by an incident want to meet together as a group. They are used when no Person Responsible has been identified, or he/she is not suitable or willing to participate in RJ, or those affected do not want to communicate with him/her.
5. **Restorative Conversations (PH)** involve only the Person(s) Harmed meeting with the Facilitator. It aims to help them talk about their experience, discuss strategies for recovery and gain access to other support services. The process is used in an RJ context only if no Person(s) Responsible have been identified, or the Person(s) Harmed do not want to communicate with them.
6. **Restorative Conversations (PR)** involve only the Person(s) Responsible meeting with the Facilitator. It aims to enable them to understand the impact of their actions, and take responsibility in whatever way possible, including reparative tasks. It is used in an RJ context only where the Person(s) Harmed cannot be contacted or do not want to communicate with the Person(s) Responsible.

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