

## Delivering Staff Training in Local College

**Aims:** To explore perceptions and to allay misunderstandings about what the term “Young Offender” means, how this impacts on the young person, assessments carried out by the YOT including risk assessments. The topics also to be covered included disclosure of information; spent and unspent convictions, supporting the young offender.

The training was delivered via a workshop session.

### Session Title: Supporting young offenders

**Synopsis:** You will explore some of the issues that young offenders encounter and how these affect aspirations and performance in the classroom. There will be an opportunity to share education strategies and gain a better understanding of the support mechanisms available that will help remove barriers to learning and support Young Offenders achievement.

### Equipment/Resources

Flip Chart (*No PowerPoint presentation*)

East Sussex YOT Leaflet ROA updated 31.05.13

2 members of YOT Staff (*1 x caseworker 1x ETE worker*)

Group size 15 to 20

#### Introductions

The session started with asking the group what they understood about the term young offender recording the words and phrases onto the flipchart – to be incorporated into the taught sections that follow. (*5-10 mins*)

The caseworker talked about the work of the YOT, assessments, the statutory elements of a Court Order and the expectations on young people whilst on an order. (*10 mins*)

ETE worker talked about education being a protective factor in preventing offending behaviour and the support available from YOT to help young offenders engage with education. (*10 mins*)

Jointly delivered information around risk assessments, the processes for disclosure and sharing information between YOT and college. (*It had been identified that there was an issue within the college with some members of staff feeling that they should know “all about the student”*). Re-enforcement of procedures within the college and explanation why not all information should be shared. (*10 mins*)

### Questions

The remainder of the workshop was given over to questions – this made sure that the concerns of the group would be addressed. (*Remainder of workshop approx 30*)

We shared the information leaflet about Rehabilitation of Offenders Act.