

Introduction to Adults and Children's Social Care for Finance Practitioners

9.45 - 10.15	Arrival and Refreshments
10.15 - 10.35	Introduction and Overview of the Day – and through the day inclusion of the latest developments in Children’s Services; the Domestic Abuse Bill 2019 and the Select Committee Inquiry on the funding of Children’s Services; in Adult Social Care the latest on the Green Paper, NHS funding, the ADASS budget survey; both preparations for Spending Review 2019, and links with housing.
10.35- 11.30	Children’s Services – Legislative, Operational and Financial Background <i>Various Acts and Bills 1989 to 2019</i> Safeguarding and Protection, Troubled Families, Care Leavers, Special Education Needs and Disabilities, Youth Justice, Children’s Centres and Youth Services
	Break
11.45 - 12.45	Adult Services – Legislative and Operational and Financial Background <i>Care Act 2014</i> Who is entitled to public care and support? Assessing needs and determining eligibility; Personalising care and support planning; Charging and financial assessments; Protecting adults from abuse or neglect; Carers
12.45 - 13.15	Lunch
13.15 - 14.00	Adults and Children’s Services - Commissioning / Market Shaping – Service and Financial Resilience – including reviews of the commissioning of Foster Care and Residential Care, the latest developments on the Competition and Markets Authority Care Homes Review, Cipfa advice on Financial Resilience
14.00 - 14.15	Inspection and Intervention – the ILACS framework for Children’s Services - new Adult Social Care Proposals
14.15 - 14.30	Break
14.30 - 15.45	Distinctive Features of Financial Advice and Financial Management – for Adults Social and Children’s Services including advice to service managers – summary from the whole day and discussion of :- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with directorates to prepare more robust budgets; • Creating coding structures that provide the financial information that service managers need to manage resources well; • Ensuring performance and financial systems are aligned to provide consistent information on activity and price; • Accounting and reporting and production of unit costs; • Measuring changes in demand and unit costs; • Understanding the links with Education and Health and the funding they provide and the Higher Needs element of the Dedicated Schools grant; • Other grant funding including the Unaccompanied Asylum Seekers Grant; • Providing financial and other information within commissioning plans; • Helping managers have a better understanding of provider costs; • Preparing commentaries on budget and budget monitoring reports; • Offering informed financial advice to service managers and commissioners; & • Contributing more fully to the preparation of transformational business plans.
15.45 - 16.00	Summary and close

We reserve the right to alter the timing or content of sessions where circumstances require.