

# **Employment Support Allowance**

## **Refresher and Update**

### **Aims**

This course will include a refresher on Employment and Support Allowance and who is entitled. The course will also update advisers on progress, problem areas, challenging decisions and the Governments proposals for rolling out the scheme.

### **Who is the course for?**

Experienced advisers who have a basic understanding of ESA already and who wish to revisit the outline rules of entitlement and gain greater understanding of the emerging issues with the new benefit.

### **Objectives**

At the end of the course delegates will have a good understanding of:

- Employment Support Allowance – rules of entitlement
- The revised Work Capability Assessment
- How transitionally protected incapacity claimants are affected now and in the future
- What to do if you have a negative ESA decision
- Future welfare reform proposals for claimants unable to work
- Consideration of the early caselaw on ESA