

BENEFITS FOR PEOPLE OVER PENSION AGE

Who is this course for?

Do you support older people and need an understanding of the benefits system, especially means tested benefits? Did you know that older people are one of the main groups who fail to claim their entitlements?

This course will guide you through those benefits relevant to older people. Help tackle pensioner poverty – attend this course.

This is not an introductory course.

Aim

You will gain an awareness of benefits which can be claimed by people over pension age, and understand how to ensure that clients receive their full benefit entitlement. Particular attention will be given to showing how disablement or frailty in this client group can increase their benefit entitlement.

Objectives

By the end of the course, you will:

- Be aware of the basic rules of entitlement to DLA and AA
- Be able to assist a client to complete a claim form for DLA and AA
- Be aware of the basic rules of entitlement to Pension Credit, Housing Benefit and Council Tax Benefit for those over pension age
- Be able to calculate whether a client is entitled to, or receiving, Pension Credit
- Be aware of sources of further information