

Benefits for Lone Parents

Who is this course for?

Do you advise lone parents? Entitlements for lone parents have been the subject of much reform over recent years and this looks like continuing for the foreseeable future with the Government considering, for example, changes to Income Support and the school leaving age. You will need a basic understanding of the social security system before attending this course.

Aims

To equip advisers with the knowledge to provide holistic and quality advice to lone parents on their entitlements. This includes lone parents who work.

Objectives

By the end of the course delegates will have a better understanding of:

- What means and non-means tested benefits are relevant if you are a lone parent, in work or otherwise
- What help there may be with housing costs
- The impact of child maintenance on entitlements and what the future holds for Child Support
- What other welfare payments may be available such as Social Fund, free school meals etc.
- What changes to entitlements for families are planned
- What help and support you can get as an adviser