



Accredited Training for Independent Sexual Violence Advisor Practitioners		
Course Dates		
Session 1	Foundation Skills and Knowledge for ISVAs	28 <sup>th</sup> and 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2011
Session 2	Planning and Protection	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2011
Session 3	Effective Partnerships	7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2011
Session 4	Communication, Diversity and Equality	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2012
Session 5	ISVAs in Action - Court and Beyond	8 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2012

Accredited Training for Independent Sexual Violence Advisor Service Managers		
Course Dates		
Session 1	Establishing an ISVA Service - Individuals, Agencies and Partnerships	22 <sup>nd</sup> and 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2011
Session 2	Operational and Legal Requirements for Delivering ISVA Services	14 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> February 2012

The above dates have been arranged for delivery of the ISVA Practitioner and Service Manager Training Courses, and we will make every attempt to adhere to these. However, these may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

### Home Office ISVA Training Fund

We have confirmed with the Home Office that our training meets the requirements set by the Home Office ISVA Training Fund.

The Survivors Trust Accredited Training for ISVAs and ISVA Service Managers meets the National Occupational Standards for Preventing and Tackling Domestic and Sexual abuse and Violence (until December 2011). The Survivors Trust is participating in the development of the new National Occupational Standards for Providing Independent Sexual Violence Advice and Advocacy (from December 2012).

Previous ISVA Practitioner participants have commented:

*“I felt the course was a worthwhile, positive experience that has impacted positively on my practice.”*

*“I found all the tutors and guest speakers very knowledgeable on their subjects, and very approachable.”*

Previous ISVA Service Manager participants have commented:

*“I learnt so much - how other agencies deliver services and what a good service looks like; what I need to do.”*

*“Lots to digest - a great deal of practical knowledge.”*

*“The content, helpful staff, the delivery, the location - was great.”*

#### The aims of the ISVA Practitioner Course are:

1. To provide high quality training specific to the role of ISVA working with rape, sexual assault, sexual abuse and childhood sexual abuse;
2. To equip ISVA practitioners with interaction skills to work effectively for and on behalf of their clients to provide information, advice and guidance specific to the needs of survivors of sexual violence and sexual abuse, whether or not they are involved in CJS processes;
3. To equip ISVA Practitioners with the knowledge and expertise essential to maintaining the ‘independent’ aspect of their role in effectively advocating on behalf of their clients;
4. To provide a clear understanding of the role of an ISVA including partnership working and inter-agency work on sexual violence and childhood sexual abuse;

#### Aims of ISVA Service Manager Course:

1. To equip ISVA Service Managers with knowledge and understanding of operational and legal frameworks and legislation that apply to the provision of an Independent Sexual Violence Advisor Service;
2. To provide ISVA Service Managers with knowledge and understanding of appropriate case management and data monitoring processes for an ISVA Service;
3. To develop awareness of the role and responsibilities of ISVA Service Manager with regard to day-to-day management and ongoing support for the ISVA;
4. To develop awareness of effective partnership working with related services.

#### Qualification Gained

The Survivors Trust ISVA Practitioner Training Programme has been specifically designed to provide key learning outcomes and course material to ensure participants are equipped to meet the requirements, demands and challenges of delivering effective ISVA practice and provision for working with victims and survivors of all forms of sexual violence and childhood sexual abuse.

Participants will benefit from a range of learning opportunities, including use of case studies, role play, group discussions, observation, reflective logs, written and practical assessment.

External presentations are an important feature of the course ensuring additional expert input in key areas of the training programme, including child protection and the law.

Participants will gain an accredited qualification at Level 3 (equivalent to 'A' Level standard) with the Open College Network.

### Format of Course

The ISVA Training Course will run over 10 days, divided into five, 2 day training events. There is a lot of material to cover and the course is intensive to ensure that all aspects are included.

The ISVA Service Manager Course comprises four days in total held over two, 2-day training events.

### Entry Requirements

Participation in this course will involve use of IT and internet systems, including Word, Excel and Internet Explorer. If this will pose any difficulties, please contact Fay Maxted on 01788 550554 to discuss.

Acceptance on the ISVA Training Programme is conditional upon participants being supported to attend the course by the organisation they are employed by.

Please note that it is the individual student that is registered as a learner and not the organisation.

### Training Venue

Unit 2 Eastlands Court Business Centre  
St Peter's Road  
Rugby, CV21 3QP

A list of nearby hotels is included at page 3, and directions to the training venue are included on pages 4 and 5.

### Registration

To register please complete the attached Learner Registration Form and forward to Sarah Cheadle at:

[sarah.cheadle@thesurvivorstrust.org](mailto:sarah.cheadle@thesurvivorstrust.org)

For more information or to discuss any aspect of the ISVA Training Programme, please contact Fay Maxted on [fay.maxted@thesurvivorstrust.org](mailto:fay.maxted@thesurvivorstrust.org) or telephone 01788 550554.

### Hotel Accommodation

The Premier Inn (North Newbold) is around a 5 minute car journey from TST. This Premier Inn offers a rate £71.00 (inc cooked breakfast) to those undertaking the ISVA training programme - please contact 01788 550333 for further information.

**Premier Inn (Rugby North Newbold)**  
Brownsover Roundabout  
Rugby  
Warwickshire CV21 1HL  
Telephone: 0871 527 8950

<http://www.premierinn.com/en/hotel/RUGBEL/rugby-north-newbold>

The Rugby Central Travelodge Hotel is a very new hotel situated next to Rugby train station, and around a 15/20 minute walk away from the training venue.

**Travelodge (Rugby Central Hotel)**  
Redpoll Road (off Murray Road)  
Rugby CV21 3LA  
Tel: 0871 984 6449

[http://www2.travelodge.co.uk/search\\_and\\_book/hotel\\_overview.php?hotel\\_id=430](http://www2.travelodge.co.uk/search_and_book/hotel_overview.php?hotel_id=430)

A comprehensive list of other hotels in Rugby can be found at  
[http://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/Hotels-g504202-Rugby\\_Warwickshire\\_England-Hotels.html](http://www.tripadvisor.co.uk/Hotels-g504202-Rugby_Warwickshire_England-Hotels.html)

### Directions:

TST HQ is situated around a 15/20 minute walk from Rugby train station - or around five minutes in a taxi. If you are coming by car, directions appear below:

#### *From M1 North*

Leave the motorway at Junction 19 - Turn west under both M1 and M6 and take road to and through Catthorpe - Turn right and immediately left over the A5 - Follow road towards Rugby for 3 miles - Take the 5th left (St Peter's Road) after the Rugby town sign - Eastlands Court is 50 yards on the left

#### *From M1 South*

Leave the motorway at Junction 18 - Take the A5 (North) towards Hinckley - After 5 miles turn left onto B5414 to Rugby - From here follow route as for M1 North

***From M40 South***

Leave the motorway at Junction 12 - Take the B4451 to Southam, then the A426 to Rugby passing through Dunchurch - Enter Rugby centre circulatory system and take signs to Northampton then Market Harborough - Leaving Rugby School on your right and travelling round 2 roundabouts - Enter Clifton Road, B5414 - Take 2nd Right into St Peter's Road - Eastlands Court is 50 yards on the left

***From M6***

Leave the motorway at Junction 1, turn right towards Rugby - At 3rd roundabout (Mr Kipling) turn left - After 11/2 miles turn right at T junction onto B5414 - Up hill and take the 5th left after Rugby town sign into St Peters Road. Eastlands Court is 50 yards on the left just past Bronte Close.

***From A14 and the East***

Follow instructions from M1 North, as above

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*“there’s no excuse for rape or sexual abuse”*

