SSAP four-day training

Day 1

Overview/objective: you will learn about the background to the SSAP, how to administer all the stories of the assessment. This will be assessed by submitting a DVD/video and transcript.

Schedule:

- Introductions
- Overview of the full training and the day
- Background/overview of the SSAP
- The SSAP protocol – preparing the kit and setting up the assessment
- Demonstrations of the full SSAP protocol (13 stories) using demonstrations from trainers and ‘live’ video examples. Group practice will form a large part of the day with extensive feedback from the training team.
- Brief introduction to the coding
- Roundup of the day

Day 2

Overview/objective: you will learn how to code the SSAP using the rating manual and applying it to a wide range of narrative examples (videos and transcripts). This will be assessed by completing a set of coding exercises to ensure you reach the acceptable levels of reliability.

Schedule:

- Child representations – descriptions of codes that fall within this cluster, using video and transcript examples. Practices will form part of the learning.
- Adult representations – descriptions of codes that fall within this cluster, using video and transcript examples. Practices will form part of the learning.
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- Disorganisation representations – descriptions of codes that fall within this cluster, using video and transcript examples. Practices will form part of the learning.
- Practice coding and application across content codes
- Roundup of the day
Day 3:

Overview/objective: you will learn how to code the remaining SSAP codes that relate to avoidance, how codings are clustered into constructs, and how to use the codes clinically including the preparation of a report.

Schedule:

- Defensive-Avoidance representations – descriptions of codes that fall within this cluster, using video and transcript examples. Practices will form part of the learning.
- Applying the full SSAP codes – practice
- Research applications of SSAP
- Cases and comparisons
- Using SSAP constructs
- Using scoring in reports
- Report writing
- Accreditation revision of standards and expectations
- Roundup of the day

Day 4:

Overview/objective: you will learn how to apply the SSAP clinically, reflecting on how to apply the instrument within report writing, and how to make sense of the material elicited in the stories.

Schedule:

- Introductions (*NB – this day will come one to two months following the first three days*)
- Overview of trainees’ experiences of SSAP administration and coding
- Case 1 (report and video)
- Research applications
- Case 2 (report)
- Use of SSAP as an intervention
- Questions and feedback
- Roundup of the day and training