

NOTICE FOR THERAPISTS

SUBSIDISED GWENT CPD COURSES COST ONLY £20 and GRANTS AVAILABLE FOR THERAPY FOR CERTAIN CLIENTS LIVING IN GWENT

StopSO is the Specialist Treatment Organisation For The Prevention Of Sexual Offending <u>www.stopso.org.uk</u> Basically what StopSO does is to introduce sex offenders to counsellors and therapists who are trained and willing to work with them. We also work with families of sex offenders, helping them to find a therapist who will help them work through the various issues involved. StopSO therapists are also very happy to work with people who feel that they are at risk of sexual offending, but have not yet acted out, or have not yet been caught. To enable all this to happen, we offer training courses to therapists who are experienced, but have not worked with this client group before. WE URGENTLY REQUIRE MORE THERAPISTS TO JOIN OUR NETWORK.

The Police And Crime Commissioner's Partnership Fund has given StopSO some money to subsidise training for therapists and counsellors who live, or work, in Gwent. We are providing three training days in Gwent (Monmouth, Chepstow, and Ebbw Vale) in the February and March. Each day is open to therapists from anywhere, but if you live in Gwent or offer therapy in Gwent then you PAY ONLY £20 FOR A ONE DAY TRAINING COURSE. Places are limited. All the details are below. Therapists can apply to attend one day @ £20 or ALL three days @ £60.

Therapist who wish to may also attend Juliet Grayson's Slippery Slope workshop at £20 a day (subject to space). This is based in Chepstow, and Juliet uses a powerful therapeutic method called Pesso Boyden System Psychomotor, known as PBSP. The dates available for this is Monday January 26 and Monday March 16. See <u>www.sexuallyinappropriatebehaviour.org</u> for info about this group. Juliet does live client sessions with those at risk of sex offending and those who have actually committed an offence, and in this group Juliet integrates members of the general public alongside the offenders. If you're interested in attending this, the subsidised cost would be £20 per day, and please contact Juliet@stopso.org.uk for more details. If you want to read more about the method then have a look at a chapter Juliet wrote called which was recently published (email Juliet for the link to this). It is called Back to the Root: Healing Potential Sexual Offenders' Childhood Trauma with Pesso Boyden System Psychomotor

Finally, there is SOME FUNDING AVAILABLE TO SUBSIDISE THERAPY - for therapists who are registered with StopSO, to offer subsidised therapy to residents of Gwent who are sex offenders, at risk of offending, or the close family member of a sex offender. However, the funding period ends at the end of March 2015, after which the funds will no longer be available. If you are interested, or have a client who would benefit then please contact me.

Please help us to spread the word to therapists and anyone who may interact with sex offenders, such as GPs, mental health professionals, family solicitors, probation officers, etc know about the grant that StopSO has been given, in case they have a client could benefit from attending therapy. Thanks to the Police And Crime Commissioners Fund for their generosity and support in subsidising the training and enabling StopSO to offer subsidised therapy.

Diary of Forthcoming Gwent Courses organised by StopSO www.stopso.org.uk/training.htm		
Mon 26 Jan	Slippery Slope Workshop: Demonstrations of Juliet	Chepstow,
2015 and	Grayson working with those at risk of sexual offending	Monmouthshire
March 16	using the Pesso Boyden System Psychomotor	NP16 5HJ
Sat 21	<u>Crossing The Line: What to do when a client presents</u>	Monmouth Priory, ,
February	who may stray into illegal territory: Andrew Smith	Monmouth, NP25 3NX
Sat 28	Assessing Risk: Working with individuals convicted or	Chepstow, Gwent NP16
February	accused of sexual offending with Andrew Smith	5HJ
Sat 14 March 2015	Treatment Interventions: for individuals convicted of or accused of sexual offending with Andrew Smith	Ebbw Vale Institute, Blaenau, Gwent, NP23 6BE