



## Training event for teachers, social workers and other professionals working in adoption and permanency



Pre-adoption  
Post-adoption  
Permanency  
Advice &  
Counselling

### The adopted child in school

#### Who should attend

Teachers, social workers and other professionals working in adoption and permanency

#### Trainer

**Ruth Pimenta** is a qualified teacher and has worked as a Child Mental Health Worker with Looked After children and young people for many years. She has a postgraduate diploma in Psychosynthesis Counselling, a postgraduate certificate in Family Therapy and an MA in Child and Adolescent Mental Health from Tavistock and Portman NHS Trust. Ruth has worked therapeutically with children, young people and adults and has offered consultations and training to professionals, parents and carers on emotional, mental health and behavioural issues and on supporting children and young people in education.

A child with a history of trauma, loss and attachment difficulties may find many school tasks challenging and confusing. It can be difficult for professionals in schools, and elsewhere, to appreciate the impact that traumatic early experiences and the transition from a birth family or a foster family to an adoptive family may have on the development of a child's social, emotional, behavioural and learning needs.

This workshop is a must if you work in schools with children who have experienced early trauma, including Looked After and Adopted children. The day will be led by Emma Gore Langton from PAC (formerly Post Adoption Centre). Emma will bring her experience of working in psychology and education to help you to understand how a child's early experiences continue to impact on their development and how you can help identify and meet their needs in the school setting.

#### Date

Tuesday  
1 April 2014  
10.00am to 04.30pm

#### Venue

Resource for London  
356 Holloway Road  
London N7 6PA

#### Prices

**PAC Subscribing Local Authorities:**  
Individuals: £135 (£162 incl.VAT)

**PAC Non-Subscribing Local Authorities:**  
£159 (£190.80 incl.VAT)

#### Benefits of attending:

**In this workshop, professionals will gain an overview of:**

- Early experiences and their effects on children's attachments
- Trauma and its effects on children's brains
- How children with early trauma and attachment difficulties may present at school
- Strategies to support adopted pupils in school

**As professionals working with children, you will also have the opportunity to find out more about:**

- Developing the role of the key worker
- Teaching self-regulation
- Supporting with peers and social skills
- Supporting at times of transition and change

**Enrol** [pac.org.uk/training](http://pac.org.uk/training) **Contact** [training@pac.org.uk](mailto:training@pac.org.uk) **Web** [www.pac.org.uk](http://www.pac.org.uk) **Tel** 020 7284 5872

PAC, 5 Torriano Mews, Torriano Avenue, London NW5 2RZ