

Conducting PACE Interviews

COURSE OVERVIEW

A key stage of a criminal investigation will involve the interviewing of a suspect or suspects for the offence(s) under investigation. Interviewing officers need to be able to accurately conduct a PACE interview, question suspects effectively, and where necessary, provide pre-interview disclosure to legal representatives.

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Know the importance of undertaking effective PACE interviews and how to balance the powers of the investigator against the rights of suspects.
- Effectively plan and prepare for a suspect interview.
- Know how to structure interviews in compliance with legal requirements and the PEACE model of investigative interviewing.
- Effectively use different questioning types to maximise suspects accounts and handle inconsistencies.
- Deal effectively with pre-interview disclosure and individuals who may be present within a PACE interview.

COURSE FORMAT

Duration: Two days

Method: In person or online

Materials: Course handouts provided

Certification: Completion certificate with 12 CPD credits

AUDIENCE

This course has been designed for all individuals responsible for conducting investigations or undertaking enforcement work. This course is particularly important for those individuals undertaking the role of lead or second interviewer in respect of PACE interviews.

