

# FREE TRAINING WORKSHOPS: AUTUMN 2006

## Implementing the Research Governance Framework in Social Care

*Places still available!*

*This programme of workshops is funded by the Department of Health*

The implementation plan for research governance in social care (DH, May 2004) stated that councils with social services responsibilities should have systems in place for reviewing all research activity by December 2005. The Baseline Assessment Survey carried out in 2005 (DH, June 2006) showed that councils are making steady progress in implementing the Research Governance Framework (RGF), despite time and resource constraints, and recommended further support and training to assist ongoing development.

Following a successful training programme in Spring 2005, SSRG is hosting a further series of workshops in Autumn 2006, including **RGF Catch Up Workshops** (in two venues) for those who are new to research governance and **RGF One Year On Workshops** (in eight venues) for those who are already involved in implementing the framework. Workshops will enable participants to network with each other; share ideas and materials; learn about national developments; discuss key issues; review progress and plan next steps.

**Target Audience:** Local Authority officers responsible for RGF implementation.

**Registration & refreshments: 9.30 for 10am start; Finish 4.30pm**

CODE*	DATE	LOCATION	VENUE
C1	Fri 29 Sept	Sheffield	Sheffield Hallam 'Conference 21'
C2	Tues 3 Oct	London	Social Care Institute for Excellence
OYO 1	Tues 10 Oct	Bristol	Ramada Plaza Hotel, Temple Meads
OYO 2	Tues 17 Oct	Sheffield	Sheffield Hallam 'Conference 21'
OYO 3	Fri 20 Oct	Durham	Collingwood College
OYO 4	Tues 31 Oct	Birmingham	The Council House
OYO 5	Tues 7 Nov	London	Social Care Institute for Excellence
OYO 6	Fri 17 Nov	Peterborough	National Centre for Deafblindness
OYO 7	Fri 24 Nov	London	Social Care Institute for Excellence
OYO 8	Tues 28 Nov	Manchester	Novotel Manchester Centre

\* C = Catch Up Workshop      OYO = One Year On Workshop

**Participants:** Each local authority is invited to take up one place, free of charge, at a workshop of their choosing. Additional places may be available, depending on demand. There will be a maximum of 20 places at each workshop. People attending a Catch Up Workshop are welcome to also book a place at a One Year On Workshop if they choose.

**Facilitator:** The workshops will be led by Chris Russell, a freelance researcher and trainer. Chris is a member of the national Research Governance in Social Care Advisory Group.

**Feedback from the last workshop series:**

*'Very reassuring, positive day with lots to go away with. Now I have enthusiasm for*

*RGF instead of lots of concerns and worries'*

*'Very interactive - great to get others' experiences to date'*

*'Very worthwhile day - important to have honest conversations about where we all are with RGF'*

*'A very useful day. Work is very busy but I'm so glad I didn't cancel - well worth the time out.'*

*'Very helpful, practical and enjoyable. Thank you'*

**For further information and to reserve a workshop place contact Chris Russell on 01588 630344 or email [chris@barn.abelgratis.co.uk](mailto:chris@barn.abelgratis.co.uk) indicating if you would like to reserve an extra place (if available). Early booking is advised.**