



## **Childrens Participation and Effective Challenge**

### **Course Description**

#### **Content**

The course will cover **challenge** in the morning, and **participation** in the afternoon

#### **Challenge**

- Exploration of the element of challenge in the IRO role and its justification
- Legal framework underpinning the IROs power and duty to challenge
- Dispute resolution processes and resolving differences at an early stage
- The role of CAFCASS
- Cases that go to court
- Case examples of challenge - group discussion and exercises
- Support for IROs who challenge
- Risks to IROs of challenging and how to mitigate those risks

#### **Participation**

- Exploration of childrens participation, particularly in relation to children in care
- Examination of recent research studies about childrens participation
- Identification of barriers and enablers for good practice
- What good practice looks like with examples and case studies

#### **Trainers**

Clive Diaz Trustee of NAIRO and university lecturer, is an experienced IRO, principal social worker and researcher.

Jon Fayle, Co-Chair of NAIRO, an experienced IRO, Childrens Guardian and trainer.

#### **Who is the Training For?**

Primarily the training is designed for IROs. Others who work with children in care, and have an interest in the topic are also welcome.

#### **Cost and Booking a Place**

£99 for NAIRO members, and £140 for non members.

**If you would like to attend, please go to our website training page**

**<https://nairo.org.uk/iro-training/> and book through the eventbrite link you will see there.**

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