# **Recruitment, Selection & Interviewing Skills**

# Two Day Course

# Who will benefit

Those involved in recruitment campaigns and the interviewing and selection process for staff.

# **Objectives**

- · Understand the law as it relates to recruitment
- · Appreciate value of job descriptions and person profiles
- Skills and techniques to screen applicants
- · Structure and conduct effective interviews
- · Make an objective assessment of candidates.

#### **Defining Excellence**

· Making a recruitment process successful

# The Cost of Recruitment & Legal Aspects

- The law on recruitment
- What you can and cannot ask
- Appreciate costs incurred

### **The Job Description**

- · The importance of the job description
- How it influences the person specification
- Writing a job description and defining duties

#### **The Person Specification**

- A clear objective profile
- Skills & experience; personality & behaviour
- Expectations & motivations

### **Initial Selection Techniques**

- The application form
- Telephone screening

# **Communication Skills**

- Verbal and non-verbal behaviour
- Understanding different questioning styles
- Controlling the interview through effective communication
- · Developing a positive and straightforward style
- Handling difficult people assertively

#### **Planning the Interview**

- Approach
- Personal preparation
- · Creating the right atmosphere
- Structure and benchmarking criteria
- · Focusing on relevant information
- Uncovering evidence

# **The Interview**

- · Opening the interview
- Empathy and rapport
- First impressions
- Control and management
- Gathering information
- · Active listening skills
- · Ending the interview

#### **The Assessment**

- Examining the evidence for each selection criterion
- · Assessing each candidate
- Following up references

#### **Skills Practice**

• A portfolio of challenging exercises to check and emphasise what has been learned

#### **Action Plan**

 Participants plan and discuss what they will do on return to work.

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