



Do you work therapeutically with children, young people and families?

Learner Information Guide

Diploma of Therapeutic Family Work

(CHC50313 Diploma of Child, Youth and Family Intervention)

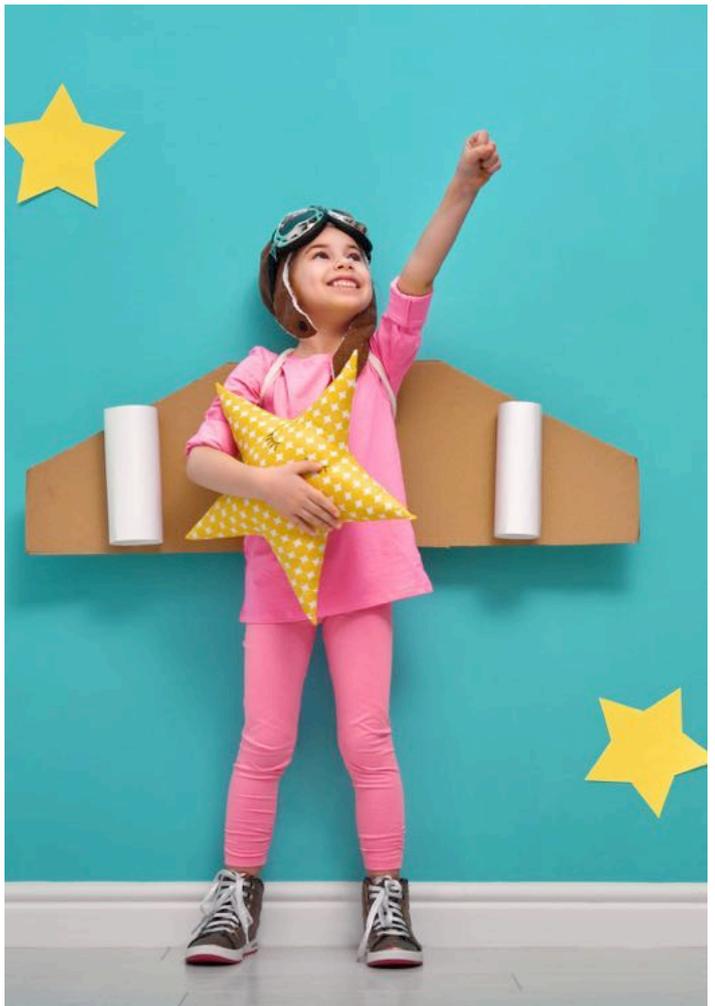
Gain a Diploma to work effectively with at-risk children, young people and families in child protection and family support to improve their personal living and emotional circumstances.



About Us

SAL Consulting has been providing customised support to people and organisations within the community, disability, health and youth sectors since 2006. We create strong, reciprocal relationships with individuals and organisations through communication and collaboration, which plays an integral part in SAL Consulting's practice and ethos. Our service delivery is supported by the latest research, best practice models and a hands-on approach that can be utilised by a diverse range of professionals. SAL Consulting is committed to assisting individuals and agencies to achieve the best possible outcomes through meaningful collaboration and enablement.

Our team of 35 consultants is a highly qualified, diverse, multidisciplinary group, with specialised and on-the-ground experience in the community services, health, disability and youth sectors. Many of our consultants have held senior positions in government and non-government agencies, and are experienced in designing and providing quality services. SAL Consulting is accredited by the Child Trauma Academy to deliver the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics, and are members of the Neuroleadership Institute. We are also a Registered Training Organisation (RTO) and have delivered the Certificate IV in Disability, Certificate IV in Youth Work and Diploma of Child Youth and Family Intervention, as well as non-accredited training services which respond to the needs of the sector or to specific organisational training requirements.



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Overview

SAL Consulting's Diploma of Therapeutic Family Work (CHC50313 Diploma of Child, Youth and Family Intervention) will equip you with the necessary skills and knowledge to engage with and support clients within both residential and/or non-residential settings in government or non government community services.

These settings include:

- out-of-home care
- early intervention
- intensive family-based services
- schools
- youth work & youth justice
- homelessness
- family violence

This Diploma will provide you with a pathway to enter these fields or enhance your knowledge and skills if you are already working within any of these environments.

You can choose to complete the entire course to gain the Diploma, or opt to attend one or more of the modules to tailor your professional development.

The Diploma is available to you as an individual learner or to agencies wishing to upskill their workforce by providing opportunities to gain a qualification.

Our Diploma material has been developed in consultation with agencies and individuals providing services for children, young people and vulnerable families, as well as from our extensive direct experience in working with the same vulnerable groups.

Our Diploma bridges the gap between theory and practice to provide you with a hands-on, high-quality learning experience that is relevant to your work practice.

What makes Our Diploma Different to Others?

Our Diploma course incorporates Neurodevelopment, Attachment and Trauma Informed (NATI) principles and therefore offers a unique approach to child, youth and family work. These principles are incorporated across all of the Diploma subjects to enhance the core content and to enable you to work with children, youth and families from a therapeutic approach.

We are the only Registered Training Organisation in Australia that integrates the NATI approach across all of our services, including clinical work, therapy, organisational development and training. We are also an accredited provider of the Neurosequential Model of Therapeutics (NMT) as developed by Dr Bruce Perry at the Child Trauma Academy in the USA.

You will learn about:

- child development, trauma and attachment
- proactive therapeutic case management
- working with diverse client groups and families with complex issues, and
- group work, and supporting clients to improve relationships, all underpinned by NATI principles.

Qualified Trainers who have Clinical and Direct Sector Experience

Our fully qualified and experienced trainers are also active practitioners — this means that they not only deliver training, but they also continue to undertake clinical work in the human services sector. All our trainers have also had direct experience in previous roles working in government or non-government organisations providing support to people. We believe this makes an enormous difference in the quality of your learning experience — our trainers have real stories, and current practice examples to discuss. They also have relevant qualifications and professional memberships to ensure they have in-depth and up-to-date knowledge in their field of expertise.

Use the Diploma Modules to tailor your Professional Development

All of our seven Diploma modules are available as standalone courses and are a fantastic way to tailor your professional development with training that meets nationally accredited standards. You have the option of attending the module sessions only, or attending and then completing the assessments to receive a nationally recognised Statement of Attainment. Module topics include Trauma and Attachment, Risk Minimisation in Family Work, and Therapeutic Case Management.

Entry requirements

Our focus is on building capacity in the child, youth and family sectors by providing a course that targets learners who have prior experience in, and/or are working within, the child, youth and family sectors or other related fields at the time of enrolment.

The course is open to individual learners or organisations looking to qualify their staff.

Duration

You will have up to 18 months to complete this course.

Can I receive Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL)?

We recognise that you may have years of experience in the workplace, or a previous qualification. You can gain Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) by having your knowledge and skills mapped against the individual units of competency in the Diploma, thus reducing the time and study load to gain the qualification. We can assist you to identify the competencies you already have, and provide evidence to validate your existing knowledge and skills. You may also be eligible for credit transfer if you have previously completed a subject that is identical to the one in the Diploma. In either case, this means you may be exempt from undertaking the assessment for either the whole unit or the whole module.

To find out more about the RPL process, contact us on 02 9481 7862.

The Venue

Our training space, Learning InFusion, is located in the education precinct of Ultimo, Sydney, near UTS, Sydney University and Australian Catholic University. It is close to buses and Central Station, and has access to student parking within 5 minutes' walk. The space has been specially designed for creative and dynamic learning, with lots of natural light, and is disability accessible.

Do you need a qualified workforce in your organisation?

Let us help you.

Having a workforce that is appropriately qualified and skilled is increasingly becoming a requirement in organisations for better client and business outcomes (e.g. accreditation processes). SAL Consulting works with organisations to ensure that their staff not only complete their studies to gain an accredited qualification, but integrate and embed the learning into the practice. This means a better skilled workforce, and better outcomes for the individual people that your organisation supports.

Throughout the course, there are many opportunities for our trainers to embed your organisational procedures, templates, and processes into the work that the trainees are undertaking. This means that your staff will not only have a greater understanding of supporting the clients, but they will have a deeper understanding of how your organisation wants its staff to contribute to its work.



Diploma Subjects and Modules

The Diploma consists of 17 units of competency which are grouped into seven modules. To gain the Diploma, you will need to complete all seven modules. Each of these modules is also available as a standalone course for professional development.

Module	Content
1. Trauma and Attachment - Therapeutic Underpinning Knowledge	This module explores the skills and knowledge required to recognise and support the different stages of, and the interrelationship between, the physical, social, emotional, cognitive and communication development of children and young people. You will also learn about the skills and knowledge required to recognise indicators of trauma in children and young people of different ages and at different stages, and to identify their needs and those of their parents and carers. Appropriate communication and support strategies, information gathering and reporting will also be covered.
2. Risk Minimisation in the Family Work Context	This module focuses on the development of skills and knowledge required to support children and young people in the child protection context, and to assist families to ensure that children and young people are safe and appropriately cared for. You will identify and respond to the needs of clients who may be experiencing domestic and family violence, including responding to immediate intervention and support needs.
3. Professional Development and Practice	In this module, you will gain knowledge and skills to evaluate, enhance and manage your professional practice through a process of reflection and ongoing professional development in child protection and effective communication. Use professional experience and practice frameworks for reflective practice and to deepen sectoral expertise within child protection and family work contexts.
4. Case Management	This module provides all aspects of holistic, therapeutic and person-centred case management practice, from the initial assessment to developing of case management plan, to case closure. You will develop the skills and knowledge required to assess and respond to the diverse and multi-faceted needs of people and determine both internal and external services required to meet those needs, using a collaborative, holistic approach.
5. Cultural and Gender Intelligence	This module deals with communicating and working respectfully with people from diverse social and cultural groups and situations, including Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people. Identifying Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety issues in the workplace, modelling cultural safety in own work practice, and developing strategies to enhance cultural safety will also be covered.
6. Complex Family Issues	You will gain knowledge and skills required to assess the needs of clients who are experiencing issues around alcohol and other drugs (AOD) and/or mental health, and to provide appropriate referrals and support. You will learn about preparing and conducting client assessments and providing feedback and referrals. You will learn strengths-based approaches to establishing respectful and collaborative relationships with a diverse range of clients.
7. Therapeutic Group Skills	This module introduces the knowledge and skills to establish, lead and participate in formal or informal groups using a collaborative, strengths-based approach to meet individual needs and outcomes of group members. You will learn about group needs assessment, designing and coordinating group processes, organising resources, conflict management and evaluation and documentation. You will also learn about engaging with people to determine interpersonal relationship needs, support building and maintaining interpersonal relationships, using a strengths-based approach.

Diploma Units of Competency

- CHCECE010 Support the holistic development of children in early childhood
- CHCPRT010 Work with children and young people with complex trauma and attachment issues and needs
- CHCPRT004 Work effectively in child protection to support children, young people and families
- CHCDFV002 Recognise and respond appropriately to domestic and family violence
- CHCPRP003 Reflect on and improve own professional practice
- CHCPRT006 Build professional practice and sectoral expertise
- CHCCOM003 Develop workplace communication strategies
- CHCCCS004 Assess co-existing needs
- CHCCCS016 Respond to client needs
- CHCCSM005 Develop, facilitate and review all aspects of case management
- CHCDEV003 Analyse client information for service planning and delivery
- CHCDIV001 Work with diverse people
- CHCDIV002 Promote Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander cultural safety
- CHCAOD004 Assess needs of clients with alcohol and other drugs issues
- CHCMHS001 Work with people with mental health issues
- CHCFAM003 Support people to improve relationships
- CHCGRP002 Plan and conduct group activities

Student Support

If you have any learning or physical difficulties that may have an impact on your learning, our workshops, tutorials and materials can be adapted and delivered appropriately, e.g. using large print, slower pace of information delivery, or verbal rather than written assessment. Please advise us of your needs prior to enrolment so that we can discuss options to support you.

Investment

The cost of the Diploma is \$7995, although you may be eligible for a subsidy. Payment can be made in instalments before each module, or you can negotiate a payment plan.

The total cost includes all of the following resources to support you in successfully completing your studies:

- Course attendance
- Resources and handouts
- Online learning
- Ongoing support from SAL Trainer/Assessor
- One-on-one or group sessions with SAL Trainer/Assessor if required
- Catering at workshops
- Issuance of Certificate of Attendance, Statement of Attainment or Diploma.

Please call our training team for more information about fee payment.

Expression of Interest and Enrolment

To find out more about this qualification, and to enrol, please contact us.

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Your Rights and Obligations as a Consumer

It is important to be informed about your consumer rights and obligations when choosing a training or education provider. For more information about these rights and obligations, please visit the following websites:

Australian Skills Quality Authority (ASQA)

<http://www.asqa.gov.au/media-and-publications/choosing-a-training-or-education-provider.html>

NSW Fair Trading

http://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/ftw/Consumers/Buying_services/Education_and_training.page

The delivery of all training and assessment services by SAL Consulting is guided by the requirements set out in the [Standards for Registered Training Organisations \(RTOs\) 2015](#).