

Participation Works is a consortium of six national children and young people's agencies. We are working together to ensure that every child and young person can influence decisions affecting their lives.

Participation Works offers a wide range of training courses and a consultancy package, ranging from introducing a selection of training methods and tools, through to organisational change and strategic planning.

The courses on offer are designed to meet the needs of a wide range of staff including managers and trustees as well as young people themselves, and will include accredited training. The training programme is being delivered England-wide by a team of Participation Works approved trainers, including young people who are aged 16-19 years.

All places cost £150.

Ready Steady Change is a one-day course that introduces participants to a selection of training methods and tools to enhance their skills and knowledge in increasing children and young people's effective participation in decision-making. The course focuses on values, change and action. Ready Steady Change approaches participation from a children's rights framework and is suitable for all individuals involved in participation work.

<u>8 June</u>	Birmingham
<u>2 September</u>	London
<u>25 November</u>	Birmingham
<u>1 February 2011</u>	Leeds

Safeguarding in Youth Participation is one day course designed to support organisations in developing and applying safe policies and procedures when working with young people. It also addresses key signs to look for if a young person is being harmed within a project or externally. The key elements of a child protection and safeguarding policy and procedure will be introduced, providing participants with the basic knowledge and understanding to write their own bespoke policy and procedures.

<u>27 April</u>	London
<u>24 June</u>	Leeds

<u>14 September</u>	Birmingham
<u>30 November</u>	London
<u>17 February 2011</u>	Birmingham

Building a Culture of Participation explores how an organisation's culture can be established and embedded to support children and young people's active and meaningful participation within the organisational infrastructure. This practical course is supported by work undertaken by NCB and PK Research Consultancy.

This course may lead on to gaining one to one advice and support from an approved Participation Works consultant. This consultancy based on Building a Culture of Participation is for anybody within an organisation who has influence and wants to embed the active engagement of children and young people in decision-making across the organisation.

<u>11 May</u>	London
<u>8 July</u>	Birmingham
<u>7 October</u>	Leeds
<u>10 March 2011</u>	Birmingham

Youth at the Table is for young people aged between 16-25 who are already charity trustees or would like to become one.

This one day course is adapted from the British Youth Council (BYC) training and resource pack. The course activities have been developed with young people to make them more engaging and inspiring. They are designed to enable participants to communicate more effectively and understand the range of decisions made by organisations as well as having an understanding of legal and financial aspects of trusteeship and knowledge of useful resources. Young people can bring along a support worker.

<u>10 July</u>	London
<u>9 October</u>	Birmingham
<u>13 November</u>	London

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 visit our Gateway: www.participationworks.org.uk
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