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## UPDATE AND REASSESSMENT CRITERIA AFFECTING LICENSED MAPA® TRAINERS

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As a matter of best practice, all Licensed MAPA® Trainers (LMTs) should be updated and reassessed within 12 months of initial training and then every subsequent 12 months; in ‘exceptional’ circumstances this can extend to 15 months. This Guidance is reflective of current national standards, the BILD Code of Practice for the Use of Physical Interventions (2006) (6.7 refers) and the NIMHE (2004) (12.2.3 refers).

For the purpose of this criterion being applied, attendance is measured by the **full** calendar month; for example, if a person was initially trained or most recently updated on *15.01.08* their 12 month period can technically be applied until *31.01.09* and the 15 month *exception* rule will run for 3 full calendar months following the part-month; using this example, 30 April 2009. This enables a small amount of flexibility with the availability of update and reassessment events.

**Where a Trainer exceeds 15 months they must not deliver training until they have attended an appropriate Update and Reassessment event, see below.**

### **Between 0 and 12 months – Trainer status = LIVE.**

Attendance at an *Update and Reassessment* event during this time period means that Trainers maintain their ‘LIVE’ status and are able to provide MAPA® training without interruption.

<b>Requirement to be able to continue to provide MAPA® training.</b>
Attendance at an <i>Update and Reassessment</i> event for Trainers, at the appropriate LMT Level, provided by Positive Options.

### **Between 12 and 15 months (*exceptional circumstances*) – Trainer status = LIVE.**

Attendance at an *Update and Reassessment* event within this time period means that Trainers maintain their ‘LIVE’ status and are able to provide MAPA® training without interruption. However, this arrangement for update and reassessment should be treated as the **exception rather than the (expected 12 month) rule.**

<b>Requirement to be able to continue to provide MAPA® training.</b>
Attendance at an <i>Update and Reassessment</i> event for Trainers, at the appropriate LMT Level, provided by Positive Options before 15 months have passed since their last MAPA® training for Trainers.

**Between 15 and 24 months – Trainer status = SUSPENDED.**

Failure to have attended an *Update and Reassessment* event before this time period means that Trainers are considered to be 'SUSPENDED' and are **not authorised** to provide MAPA® training until they have attended an *Update and Reassessment* event.

**Requirement to be able to re-activate 'LIVE' Trainer status and continue to provide MAPA® training.**

Attendance at an *Update and Reassessment* event for Trainers, at the appropriate LMT Level, provided by Positive Options before 24 months have passed since their last MAPA® training for Trainers.

**Between 24 to 36 months – Trainer status = SUSPENDED.**

Failure to have attended an *Update and Reassessment* event before this time period means that Trainers are considered to be 'SUSPENDED' and are **not authorised** to provide MAPA® training until they have attended an *Update and Reassessment* event.

**Requirement to be able to re-activate 'LIVE' Trainer status and continue to provide MAPA® training.**

1. Attendance at appropriate, certified MAPA® training event as a participant; generally this will be provided by the host ATC; and
2. Provide certificated evidence of the above prior to attendance at an *Update and Reassessment* event for Trainers, at the appropriate LMT Level, delivered by Positive Options.

**Between 36 months and 47 months – Trainer status = DISCONTINUED (LAPSED).**

Failure to have attended an *Update and Reassessment* event before this time period means that Trainers are considered to be 'DISCONTINUED' and are **not authorised** to provide MAPA® training.

**Requirement to be able to re-activate 'LIVE' Trainer status and continue to provide MAPA® training.**

1. Attendance at appropriate, certified MAPA® training event as a participant; generally this will be provided by the host ATC; and
2. Attendance at an *Update and Reassessment* event for Trainers (*formative*), at the appropriate LMT Level, provided by Positive Options; followed by
3. Attendance at an *Update and Reassessment* event for Trainers (*summative*), at the appropriate LMT Level, provided by Positive Options.

*Note: These two events must be undertaken with an interval of not more than 4 calendar months unless otherwise agreed with Positive Options.*

**More than 48 months – Trainer status = DISCONTINUED (EXPIRED).**

Failure to have attended an *Update and Reassessment* event before this time period means that Trainers are considered to be 'DISCONTINUED' and are not authorised to provide MAPA® training.

**Requirement to be able to re-activate 'LIVE' Trainer status and provide MAPA® training within an Positive Options BILD Accredited MAPA® Approved Training Centre.**

Where an individual wishes to re-activate their LMT status they must attend one of the following, as appropriate:

- Level 1 Trainer: the full 20 skills days component of the 40-day LMT programme;
- Level 2 Trainer: the complete Level 2 LMT programme; or
- Level 3 Trainer: the complete Level 3 LMT programme.

**References**

BILD (2006) Code of Practice for Physical Interventions: A guide for trainers and commissioners of training (2 Edn). BILD: Kidderminster.

NIMHE (2004) Mental Health Policy Implementation Guide. Developing Positive Practice to Support the Safe and Therapeutic Management of Aggression and Violence in Mental health In-patient Settings.