

## KENT CORE – DEMAND AVOIDANT PROFILES

**Date: Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2022**

**Time: 9.30am - 12.30pm**

### **Objectives:**

- This course will explain why some children with an autism profile refuse and resist everyday activities.
- It aims to help staff improve their understanding of this group of autistic learners.
- It aims to support staff in gaining confidence in the use of strategies and resources to support pupils with a demand avoidant profile.

### **Content:**

Demand Avoidance is a term now frequently used in the autism field. It has become a phrase that the media have latched onto and promoted yet it is still infrequent for a diagnosis to be issued. This course will explore the term demand avoidance and explain how different professional bodies may use it. Further it will explore what is going on for the child who avoids demands and propose some ways that can be helpful in helping children to say yes to what previously they said no to.

### **Target Audience:**

Any school staff particularly SENCOs, Inclusion leads and Pastoral Base leads.

### **Presented by:**

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£37.00 per delegate

Self-service refreshments are provided