

# **Assertive Working Relationships**

## Who would benefit?

All individuals wishing to improve their level of assertiveness and influence in the workplace.

# **Objective**

The aim of this course is to increase personal effectiveness in a variety of situations. The programme covers a wide range of strategies and techniques to improve influencing and communication skills as well as focusing on the importance of an assertive behavioural style.

#### Content

- Defining Assertiveness
  - How Assertive are You
  - Situations to be More Assertive
- Different Behavioural Styles
  - Aggressive
  - Submissive
  - Assertive
  - Pay Offs & Price of Different Behaviours
  - Personal Rights
- Why we Behave the way we do
  - Behaviour vs Personality
- Defining what you want to Achieve
  - Setting S.M.A.R.T. Objectives and Goals
- Assertiveness Techniques
  - Broken Record
  - Refusing and Making Requests
  - Dealing with Criticism and Negative Feedback
  - Negative & Positive Enquiry
  - Negative & Positive Assertion
  - Fogging

- Influencing Styles and Strategies
  - 15 ways to positively influence the outcome of a situation
- Influencing Strategies Model:
  - Push Behaviours
  - Pull Behaviours
  - Moving Away Behaviours
- Communicating Assertively
  - Barriers to Communication
  - Questioning Skills
  - Active Listening Techniques
  - Non-Verbal Communication
  - Positive Words and Phrases
  - Getting the right message across
- Managing Difficult Situations
  - Practical exercises:
    Resolving current challenges
    Implementing new skills and
    techniques
- Personal Action Plan

## **Duration**

One day