Judicial Studies Board

Seminar for Potential Nominated Care Judges
EVALUATION QUESTIONNAIRE

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1. The aim of this course was to enable those judges who wish to hear Public Law cases to obtain a practical understanding of the law and judicial skills which are required to discharge this jurisdiction

Overall how well did the course meet this aim? **(please tick)**

☐ Fully ☐ Substantially ☐ Partially ☐ Not at all

2. Please give a rating to each session by putting a tick in the appropriate column.
If you answer "partly" or "not at all" to "was the objective achieved" please give your reason.

SESSION	WAS THE OBJECTIVE ACHIEVED			
	Fully	**Substantially**	**Partially**	**Not at all**
Case Management *At the end of this session you should have an understanding of how to control the preparation and hearing of a public law case*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Syndicates 1 *These sessions are intended to raise current issues by group discussion of case studies and to draw on the experience of syndicate leaders and members in resolving them*	☐	☐	☐	☐
The view from the Court of Appeal *At the end of this session you should be aware of topics of particular interest in the Court of Appeal and the manner in which an Appellate Court approaches an appeal in a public law case*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Part IV Practice and Orders *At the end of this session you should understand the statutory framework and main authorities which govern the court's approach to an application to a care order*	☐	☐	☐	☐
The Guardian/CAFCASS Officer *At the end of this talk you should understand the roles of the CAFCASS Officer and have some idea of the position as a result of the implementation of the new service*	☐	☐	☐	☐
The Paediatric Witness *At the end of this session you should have an understanding of how a Paediatrician can assist the court in the diagnosis of injury and its effect upon the development of children.*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Care/Crime Interface *This session is intended to illustrate the issues which arise when somebody is the defendant in care and criminal proceedings which arise from the same set of allegations.*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Syndicates 11 *As syndicates 1*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Good Enough Parenting *At the end of this session you should have an understanding of the meaning of this concept in the context of public law cases.*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Proof of facts in sexual abuse *At the end of this session you should clearly understand the law which governs the approach of the court when it has to make a finding in respect of an allegation of sexual abuse.*	☐	☐	☐	☐

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Listening to the Child *At the end of this session you should understand the need to listen to what a child may say but also to be aware of some of the factors which may affect the reliability of the child's statements.*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Secure Accommodation Orders *At the conclusion of this session you should be aware of the law which relates to the making of such orders*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Preparing the Care Plan and Scrutinising the Care Plan *This session is intended to give an idea of the way in which a local authority approaches the construction of a care plan. You should also understand the duty of the court to scrutinise the plan and the course which the court may adopt if it does not like the plan.*	☐	☐	☐	☐
The Consequences of Care *This session is intended to provide an outline of the development of child care provision by public authorities and the effect of such care on the children concerned.*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Assessments under Section 38(6) *This session is intended to provide guidance as to the approach to be adopted on an application for such an assessment.*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Current Developments in Paedriatric Radiology *At the end of this session you should have an understanding of the current matters of interest within this speciality and the manner and extent to which a paediatric radiologist can help the court.*	☐	☐	☐	☐
ECHR and Public Law *At the end of this session you should be aware of recent developments in the law and how to deal with ECHR points in a judgement*	☐	☐	☐	☐
Syndicates 111 *As syndicates 1& 11*	☐	☐	☐	☐
ETAC *At the end of this session you should have an increased awareness of disability issues in general, including reference to the position of parents whose children are the subject of Public Law Proceedings, and the ways in which such issues may be addressed.*	☐	☐	☐	☐

3. If you have stated that any session did not meet the objective, how do you think it could be improved? (continue overleaf)

4. What new sessions might usefully be included?

5. Any other comments.

Name (optional……