

**Maudsley Centre for Child and Adolescent Eating Disorders** 



# **Multi Family Therapy** (MFT-AN)

# **A Two Half-Day Intensive** Training with a Two-Day **Experiential Training**

### For Health Professionals working with restrictive eating disorders

#### When

**Part 1 (Theory, Structure & Content):** Thursday 5th & Friday 6th March 2026, 9:00am to 1:00pm each day

Part 2 (Experiential Learning): Wednesday 11th & Thursday 12th March 2026, 9:30am to 4:30pm each day

Where

Part 1 will be delivered online via video-conferencing (Zoom)

Part 2 will be delivered face-to-face at the following address:

ORTUS Learning and Events Centre 82 – 96 Grove Lane, London, SE5 8SN

Programme Facilitators Stamatoula Voulgari Principal Systemic Psychotherapist

Dr Julian Baudinet Consultant Clinical Psychologist

Link to application form This Registration form will be activated on the 1st of December 2025

#### **Background:**

Multi Family Therapy (MFT) is a NICE (2017) recommended treatment approach for restrictive eating disorders that has been developing over the last 20 years. This approach provides a more intensive form of family

intervention than the single outpatient Family Therapy for Anorexia Nervosa (FT-AN). Like FT-AN, MFT aims to help young people and their family re-discover their own resources by emphasising ways in which parents can take an active role in supporting their child to overcome the eating problem. MFT enhances FT-AN by providing families the opportunity of the group setting to explore how the eating disorder has affected family life, making it difficult for the family to follow a more typical developmental course of the family life cycle. The sharing of experiences and the dynamics of the group are important components of the treatment.

#### Aims of this Programme:

- To promote evidence-based practice in the treatment of Eating Disorder (NICE Guidelines, 2017).
- To present the research and theoretical underpinning of this approach and to illustrate how the theory relates to the practice of MFT in eating disorders.
- To offer an overview of the ethos, theoretical and clinical base for the approach with a strong emphasis in multi-disciplinary team (MDT) working.



- To teach skills on how to facilitate MFT.
- To illustrate through facilitative group participation how families engage in MFT by using psychoeducational and therapeutic techniques relevant to treating anorexia nervosa.
- To provide participants with the skills, knowledge and confidence in order to apply this model to their relevant clinical setting.

#### What the Programme Offers:

The training consists of a 2 half-day's intensive programme with a combination of didactic and 2 full-day's experiential components, including case discussion and implementation in clinical settings. The MFT-AN manual will be shared with participants.

On request, we can provide continuous supervision and consultation for teams trained as separate tariffs.

#### **Key Outcome:**

- At the end of the training participants will have the skills and competencies required to be able to apply the approach in their own clinical setting.
- Our trainings promote the development of a MDT approach ethos; therefore we encourage and will prioritise the attendance of more than one professional from each team. We recommend early booking to guarantee a place and thus avoid disappointment.

#### Cost:

2 half-day intensive online programme £250.00 per person

OR

2 half-day intensive online programme & 2 full day's experiential training £800.00 per person – including a copy of the MFT-AN manual.

#### Who can Apply:

Our MFT programme is aimed at team members with existing therapeutic background who work as part of a multi-disciplinary child and adolescent eating disorders team.

To apply for a place on this training, please complete the registration form here: MFT-AN REGISTRATION FORM

#### Attending the Training:

This training is split into 2 parts. Part 1 will cover the theory, structure and content of MFT and will take place via videoconferencing. Links to the training sessions and all accompanying resources will be emailed to participants following sign-up. To attend the video-conference, participants will require a reliable Wi-Fi connection and access to Zoom.

For part 2 (experiential training), training will take place face-to-face at the following address:

**ORTUS Learning and Events Centre** 82 – 96 Grove Lane, London, SE5 8SN

ORTUS Training Centre, The Maudsley Hospital site.

#### To apply, please complete the registration form here: https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=SuTPoS5ol UqOctA7m1iHqmnrEUT32BBKmUnG0KzYye9UOTNBRjBVU0pHO VYzVFZRR0VaVzQ5S0ZWUS4u

For further enquiries please email: MCCAEDTraining@slam.nhs.uk



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