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## WORKING IN CONSORTIA – THE BENEFITS AND PITFALLS

A **FREE** interactive training session for providers in West London that are thinking about developing or working within a consortium arrangement to deliver employment and training services.

10th December, 10am – 4pm  
The Unity Centre  
103 Church Road, NW10 9EG

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### Introduction

The new commissioning arrangements for employment and skills services mean that many smaller and specialist providers will need to sub-contract with larger providers if they are to survive. Some will want to do this by developing or working within consortia arrangements.

West London Working is funding a series of capacity building events in West London for providers to help them respond to these challenges.

This one day training session has been designed to look at the practical, legal and operational implications in developing or working within consortia arrangements. It will provide a practical focus on implications, the benefits and the pitfalls and an opportunity to hear first hand experiences on both success and failure. At the end of the session you will be in a more informed position to decide if the consortium approach will work for you.

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### Who should attend?

- Senior managers
- Owners
- Directors

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### How will you benefit?

- Understand the legal and contractual requirements for consortia working within welfare to work
- Appreciate the benefits and challenges of consortia working and how to set one up
- Network and connect with other providers in West London

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### Programme

9.45	Registration and refreshments
After 9.45	<b>Morning Session – Knowledge</b>
1pm	Introduction to the day and the group What are consortia What role can or should they play in the Welfare to Work supply chain How might this look in West London Developing a consortium – the legal and practical considerations TPP Law followed by questions and answers.
Break	Setting up Special Purpose Vehicles – session I James Jennings Learning from experience Clare de Silva, FaithWorks
Lunch	
Afternoon session – skills	Setting up Special Purpose Vehicles – session II James Jennings Action planning Review of the day
4.00pm	Finish

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### Next Steps

**Book online now** or contact Katie Francis on 020 7253 6289.

They are reserved on a first come first served basis and open to one person per organisation. Smaller or specialist providers will have priority.

#### Who is West London Working

West London Working brings together the agencies responsible for employment and skills to reduce the high number of West London residents not in employment. We work across the London Boroughs of: **Brent, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham, Harrow, Hillingdon, and Hounslow**. Our partnership includes West London Alliance, the 6 West London Local Authorities, Learning and Skills Council, London Development Agency and Jobcentre Plus.