

# **MENOPAUSE**

### 1.0 AIMS & OBJECTIVES

This session aims to:

Explore:

- What is the menopause?
- When does it happen?
- What are the symptoms and who experiences them?
- Menopause in the workplace
- How can you manage the symptoms

#### 2.0 BACKGROUND

- 3.5 million women aged 50 or over are currently in employment in the UK and half of these women report finding work difficult due to symptoms associated with the menopause.
- Psychological symptoms can affect work most concentration, tiredness, poor memory, depression, feeling low, anxiety, reduced confidence & insomnia.
- Estimated that 10% women stop work altogether due severe symptoms.
- Appropriate management of symptoms can, therefore, hugely enhance wellbeing and increase productivity as a result thereof.

#### 3.0 TARGET AUDIENCE & TIMING

- This session is suitable for all employees and managers hoping to increase their awareness about the menopause and how to manage symptoms.
- These sessions work best with 10 20 people as this allows for discussion and interaction.
- The sessions can be tailored to last for 60 90 minutes depending on the needs of your organisation. It is recommended, however, that 90 minutes is allocated for this to ensure that all information can be covered.



## 4.0 RESOURCES REQUIRED

- Power point projector (the trainer will bring along their laptop) for the presentation
- A training room suitable for learning
- A range of leaflets will be sent to the site contact prior to the visit, so these can be printed and distributed at the end of the session if required.