

“THE OTHER SIDE OF REALITY”

by

Peter W Yates

Appeared in the Hampshire Drama Festival

Author: Peter Yates

Email: peterwyates@hotmail.com

Genre: Social Drama

Cast: 3(f) 8(m)

Special requirements:

Setting:

Short synopsis:

A training course for mental health practitioners brings into conflict the attitudes of staff towards their patients and effective treatments.

When the facilitator arranges for a patient to present a scenario of their life, the disparity between policies and procedures and the reality of needs questions the validity of the training and the code of practice.

‘We can be friendly but not your friend’ .

It is a fine balance between supporting physical health and understanding emotional stability - as this training session unintentionally delivers that message.