

Transforming the Response to Domestic Violence

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Practical Action to Support
Effective Implementation of the Domestic Abuse Bill

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Chief Executive
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CEO of IRIS,
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Donna Covey CBE
Director, AVA - Against
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Supporting Organisations:



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"Domestic abuse comes in many forms, shattering the lives of victims and their families." UK Government 2018

"Domestic abuse remains pervasive within our society. Despite the long-term falling prevalence, an estimated 2 million adults report being subjected to domestic abuse and, tragically, 82 women and 13 men were killed by a partner or former partner in 2016/17"
Transforming the Response to Domestic Abuse Government Consultation 2018

"This is a once in a generation opportunity to create a step-change in how we deal with domestic abuse." Jo Todd Chief Executive Respect March 2018

The Domestic Abuse Bill consultation on the Draft Bill closed in May 2018.

"In February 2017, the Prime Minister announced a new programme of work leading towards a draft Domestic Abuse Bill to transform how we think about and tackle domestic abuse. That commitment was affirmed in the Queen's Speech which committed to bring forward a draft bill that proposes to: • enshrine a definition of domestic abuse in law • introduce a new protection order to better protect victims from their abusers • recognise the harm domestic abuse inflicts on a child • create a Domestic Abuse Commissioner in law • demonstrate our commitment to ratifying the Istanbul Convention by extending extraterritorial jurisdiction over Violence against Women and Girls (VAWG) related offences" Transforming the Response to Domestic Abuse Government Consultation, 2018

"The consultation sets out the government's approach to dealing with domestic abuse. It seeks to address it at every stage from prevention through to rehabilitation and reinforces the government's aim to make domestic abuse everyone's business. The consultation asks questions under four main themes with the central aim of prevention running through each:

- *promote awareness – to put domestic abuse at the top of everyone's agenda, and raise public and professionals' awareness*
- *protect and support – to enhance the safety of victims and the support that they receive Transforming the Response to Domestic Abuse Government Consultation, 2018*
- *pursue and deter – to provide an effective response to perpetrators from initial agency response through to conviction and management of offenders, including rehabilitation*
- *improve performance – to drive consistency and better performance in the response to domestic abuse across all local areas, agencies and sectors"* Transforming the Response to Domestic Abuse Government Consultation, 2018

This conference will enable you to:

- Network with colleagues who are working to improve the recognition and response to domestic violence
- Understand the practical implication of the changes proposed by the Domestic Abuse Bill
- Learn from outstanding practice in supporting the victims of domestic abuse
- Reflect on national developments and learning
- Improve the way MARACs work in response to the Domestic Abuse Bill
- Develop your skills in supporting victims of domestic abuse including older people and children who have witnessed domestic abuse
- Understand how you can improve information sharing around domestic abuse in line with the new Domestic Abuse Bill
- Identify key strategies to enable you to transform your response to Domestic Abuse
- Develop effective ways of working with perpetrators of abuse
- Self assess and reflect on your own practice
- Gain cpd accreditation points contributing to professional development and revalidation evidence

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10.00 Chairman's introduction: Transforming the Response to Domestic Violence

Jo Todd *Chief Executive* Respect

- the Domestic Abuse Bill: practical steps to effective implementation

10.10 The Lived Experience of Domestic Violence

Luke & Ryan Hart CoCoAwareness

10.40 Keynote Opening Address: The Whole Picture Approach

Suzanne Jacob OBE

Chief Executive
SafeLives

- A whole picture approach: ending domestic abuse, for good
- No 'them and us': the importance of survivor voice
- Design, test, iterate: measuring impact and looking to the future

11.10 A whole family approach to domestic violence

Alicia Lee

Team Manager Domestic Abuse Navigator Service
Growing Futures
Doncaster Children's Services Trust

- a whole family approach to domestic violence
- working with perpetrators of domestic violence
- how do we change behaviour in the long term
- our programmes and experience

11.40 *Question and answers, followed by tea & coffee at 11.20*

12.10 EXTENDED SESSION: Transforming the MARAC response The Domestic Abuse Bill – practical implications for MARACs

Maria Gray

Independent Safeguarding Consultant

- working in partnership to deliver a co-ordinated action plan to increase victim safety
- MARAC: implications of the Domestic Abuse Bill
- the role and use of Domestic Abuse Protection Orders
- principles of an effective MARAC
- developing effective action plans and measuring outcomes

13.10 *Question and answers, followed by lunch and exhibition at 13.20*

14.00 A primary care response to domestic abuse from research to mainstream: the IRIS story

Medina Johnson

CEO of IRIS, Identification & referral to Improve Safety

- core components of the IRIS model
- sustainability and spread in primary care
- the role of evidence in a harsh (de-)commissioning environment
- relevance and applicability to other health care settings

14.30 Improving support in hospitals: Developing the role of IDVA

Pam Charlesworth

Deputy Director of Nursing

with Zoe McKee

Senior health independent domestic violence advocate (IDVA)

- developing the role of the IDVA in hospitals
- working to improve support and practice: case studies
- developing effective partnerships and working with MARACs

15.00 Early Identification and prevention of domestic violence

Donna Covey CBE

Director, AVA - Against Violence and Abuse

- recognise the most at risk factors
- the role of health and social care services in the identification and support of high risk victims of domestic violence and abuse
- developing the role of the independent domestic violence advisor (IDVA) in health and social care
- developing effective training and education
- effective risk assessment methods
- targeted focus: FGM, forced marriages and honor based violence
- improving awareness

15.30 *Question and answers, followed by tea & coffee at 15.35*

15.50 Supporting children who have witnessed Domestic Abuse

Nicci Wotton

Consultant Nurse

Safeguarding Children, Imperial College

- early identification, and signposting to safety
- how can we better support children who have witnessed domestic abuse
- training and educating frontline staff in safeguarding children who have witnessed domestic abuse

16.15 EXTENDED SESSION: Information on Sharing and Information Governance within MARACs and Domestic Violence cases

Christopher Fincken

Independent Member
UK Caldicott Guardian Council
(*Chairman 2012-2017*)

- applying the Caldicott principles to domestic violence and MARACs
- information sharing and governance within MARACs
- to share or not to share? Criteria that must be met to allow information sharing around domestic violence cases
- managing and sharing information in a multi-agency context
- case studies: decision making in practice

17.00 *Question and answers, followed by close*

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