



**Reducing
the Risk**
of Domestic Abuse



Slough Training Catalogue

September 2024 – March 2025

Training professionals, volunteers and individuals in the community with the confidence and knowledge to recognise domestic abuse, respond safely, and record and refer appropriately.

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Introduction

Who is our training for?

- ✓ Community groups
- ✓ Care Professionals
- ✓ Police Officers
- ✓ Postgraduate Social Workers
- ✓ Employers
- ✓ Employees/Individuals

Our catalogue of training varies in subject, time, delivery, and content but our main drive is always to reduce the risk of domestic abuse.

We simply want to spread awareness of the issues, provide a staple diet of up-to-date content, and aim it at the right level for the respective audiences. We want to get the right training to the right people. We all have an important role to play in understanding and responding to those living with domestic abuse.

This training has been funded by Slough Borough Council and is FREE for all practitioners in the Slough area. The training is organised and facilitated by Reducing the Risk of Domestic Abuse.

PLEASE NOTE: In order to access this training you will need to create an account on our Hub (hub.reducingtherisk.org.uk). Your account will be approved within one business day, once approved you can head to the 'Training & Events' tab and select the 'Slough Training' drop down option. Here you will find all of the available training for you to book onto. If you need to cancel your place please head back to the booking page in the same way and select 'Cancel my place'

Any queries, please email us at contact@reducingtherisk.org.uk and we will get back to you. We look forward to seeing you soon.

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DA Champions training

Who is DA Champions training for?

- ✓ Community groups
- ✓ Care Professionals
- ✓ Police Officers
- ✓ Postgraduate social workers
- ✓ Employers
- ✓ Employees/Individuals

Training Dates:

23rd & 24th October
10am to 4pm



This is the core of what we deliver and takes a group of multi-agency delegates through 2 days of training together. The main aim is that delegates can network together and understand that collaboration brings a more effective response.

The session will be delivered face to face on 23rd & 24th October. To sign up for this training please visit:

www.hub.reducingtherisk.org.uk/pages/slough-training

The modules start from identifying what domestic abuse (DA) is, the statutory definition, and the impact it has upon those suffering within the family. We go on to consider the impact on children from pre-birth to adulthood. This can be a very emotive and challenging day.

The second day is less emotive and very practical, looking at the response to DA, and how we identify, assess and manage the risk of serious harm. We also discuss the role of a Champion, how the network runs, and what they can access in the hub. Trained Champions have more access than untrained Champions.

Completion of the 2 days results in CPD points for delegates who collect them.

Our partners at CPD provide relevant certification.

To attend this training please sign up via hub.reducingtherisk.org.uk

DASH in a day

This day-long session will be delivered in a face-to-face setting over a single day. It is also accredited by CPD, who will provide relevant certification to those delegates who collect CPD points.

This session breaks into the Domestic Abuse Stalking Harassment and “Honour”-Based Risk identification Checklist (DASH 2009). This is the UK tool for assessing the risk of serious harm in DA. The community version of this checklist consists of 24 questions which are designed to uncover the 15 identifications of serious harm.

This session looks at what “serious harm” is, and how we identify, assess and manage the risk effectively. The training also visits the important area of safety planning as part of the management of risk identified.

Training Dates:

26th September 2024
10am to 4pm

18th November 2024
10am to 4pm

18th February 2025
10am to 4pm



DASH in a day - Learning Outcomes

- Explore personal recognition of domestic abuse in all its forms
- Increase awareness of local strategies and services locally and nationally
- Increase confidence around raising concerns or sharing management of risk of serious harm
- Enhance the current response to domestic abuse for their colleagues within the agency
- Familiarise attendees with DASH 2009, “Honour” DASH & Stalking DASH
- Increase agency awareness around risk, assessment and management
- Access a toolkit to assist in reducing the risk of serious harm

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DASH & Modus for Designated MARAC Officers

This session consists of two half day sessions and is aimed at small groups of those nominated to represent their agency at a local Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference, MARAC. It considers how they manage a DASH assessment from a colleague and confirm that it is a high-risk case that thus requires a referral to MARAC.

For Thames Valley training in the use of Modus (the software used across Thames Valley). Delegates are given access to this important software once they have attended both DMO sessions - DASH and Role of the DMO.

This session differs from the DASH training as it concentrates on delegates' responsibility to the MARAC, their agency, and colleagues as well as, ultimately, the victim.

It explains what the MARAC is for, what is expected of a DMO, and what they need to confirm, clarify and collaborate on with the DASH assessment they have been given. The session will be delivered face to face to attend this training please sign up via hub.reducingtherisk.org.uk

Training Dates:

4th February 2025
10am to 4pm

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Housing and the Domestic Abuse Act, 2021

This is a full day of face-to-face training aimed specifically at those working in housing and homelessness. Whether in local authority or housing provision, the DA Act brings a variety of changes and responsibilities.



Housing and the Domestic Abuse Act, 2021 - Learning outcomes

- Understand what constitutes domestic abuse in the UK
- Recognise the difficulties in leaving
- Understand risk assessment & and management of serious harm
- Review homelessness, housing options, duties and rights
- Look at safety and recognise the need for proper, clear planning

Training Dates:

16th October 2024
10am to 4pm

17th January 2025
10am to 4pm

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Coercive and controlling behaviour (CCB)

This training is a one-hour online session delivered on Zoom

Learning Aims

This session focuses on what CCB is and the crime of Controlling and Coercive Behaviour in the UK. We discuss what victims are living with as well as how these tactics may present themselves. We move onto what attendees can and should not do, and where they can signpost people to find appropriate help.

Learning Outcomes

- Identify what coercive control is
- Understand the criminal offence of Controlling and Coercive Behaviour
- Review the statutory guidance framework
- Recognise the impact of these abuses
- Understand the mindset of those living in a distorted reality
- Consider how to manage cases as an agency and/or as a practitioner
- Discuss what attendees can do to help and what not to do

Training Dates:
10th September 2024
11am to 12pm

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Stalking

This training is a one-hour online session delivered on Zoom

Learning Aims

This session focuses on how stalking can differ from harassment and will explore the crimes in the UK. It will discuss what victims are living with as well as stalker typologies. We will move on to what attendees can and should not do and where they can signpost people to find help.

Learning Objectives

- Identify what harassment and stalking are
- Understand the crimes in the Protection From Harassment Act, 1997- especially new additions
- Consider the typologies of stalkers, especially the rejected type
- Recognise the impact physically, mentally, socially, on study/work
- Consider how to manage cases with tools such as Stalking Protection Orders
- Discuss what attendees can do to help and what not to do
- Identify specialist services that can support and advocate.

Training Dates:
3rd October 2024
1pm to 2pm



Non-fatal strangulation (NFS)

This training is a one-hour online session delivered on Zoom

Learning Aims

We will focus on what strangulation is and how it differs from choking. We explore the new type of assault crime in the UK: Non-Fatal Strangulation (NFS). We will consider the pressure needed and the time involved. We will move onto what attendees can and should not do, and where they can signpost people to find help.

Learning Outcomes

- Identify what strangling and choking are
- Understand the legal definition of the crime of NFS
- Consider the impact on someone of a threat-to-life assault
- Identify how long it takes and the pressure to strangle
- Appreciate the impact of these abuses on the brain
- Understand the indication of fatality
- Discuss what attendees can do to help and what not to do

Training Dates:
1st November 2024
10am to 11am

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Economic Abuse

This training is a one-hour online session delivered on Zoom

Learning Aims

We focus on what economic abuse is and how it differs from and expands on financial abuse. We explore the new definition of DA which incorporates it. We consider the impact of it and how it presents itself. We move onto what attendees can and should not do, and where they can signpost people to find help.

Learning Outcomes

- Identify what economic abuse is and the tactics used
- Understand the legal definitions of economic abuse
- Consider the impact on someone
- Understand how it closely relates to coercive control
- Identify what economic abuse can cover how it is used
- Discuss what attendees can do to help and what not to do

Training Dates:
4th November 2024
2pm to 3pm



DVPNs and DVPOs

Domestic Violence Protection Notices and Domestic Violence Protection Orders.

This training is a one-hour online session delivered on Zoom

Learning Aims

This session explores the Domestic Violence Protection Notices (DVPNs) issued by police. It also looks at the subsequent injunctions issued by Magistrates: Domestic Violence Protection Orders (DVPOs). It shows how the options are considered and the aims of getting a DVPO for the victim. We also outline the suggested options being piloted by the Domestic Abuse Protection Orders (DAPO) trials.

Learning Objectives

- Identify what DVPNs & and DVPOs are
- Understand when the criteria are met
- Review the process taken to obtain a DVPN
- Understand how it can be a useful tool and how it can help a victim
- Identify what it can cover and how it is utilised
- Discuss what attendees can do to help & and what not to do

Training Dates:
6th January 2025
11am to 12pm

Domestic Violence

Disclosure Scheme (DVDS/Clare's Law)



This training is a one-hour online session delivered on Zoom

Learning Aims

We focus on what the scheme is and where it originated. We examine how it works and who it can help. We review the process and what attendees can and should not do. We examine how it can empower victims to make better-informed decisions.

Learning Objectives

- Identify what the Domestic Violence Disclosure Scheme is
- Understand why it was created- Clare Wood's case
- Consider the impact it can have
- Understand how the DVDS process can work
- Identify what it can cover and how it is utilised
- Discuss what attendees can do to help and what not to do

Training Dates:
22nd January 2025
1pm to 2pm



DA and older people

This training is a one-hour online session delivered on Zoom

Learning Aims

This module is designed to understand the impact on older people who are living with domestic abuse. We look at the recent revelations regarding the prevalence of DA affecting older people, as well as how we can all better understand how best to help identify and manage such situations.

Learning Outcomes

- Understand the nature and scope of domestic abuse in the elderly population
- Look at potential risk factors
- Explore the consequences of domestic abuse on the elderly
- Consider Capacity and Power of Attorney
- Discuss ways to prevent and address this issue

Training Dates:
7th March 2025
10am to 11am

Court Orders

This training is a one-hour online session delivered on Zoom

Learning Aims

This session gets to the heart of what court orders are, where they come from, and what happens if someone fails to act in their own best interest and breaches one. We look at other protective steps such as police protection and compare the current Domestic Violence Protection Orders (DVPOs) with the Domestic Abuse Protection Orders (DAPOs) which will appear in about 2025 (depending on pilot schemes).

Learning Outcomes

- Compare the burden of proof in different courts
- Consider a range of protective orders for domestic abuse
- Explore their prohibitions and restrictions
- Consider some protective steps for children and vulnerable adults
- Discuss the sanctions for breaching different orders
- Discuss the changes coming with DAPOs

Training Dates:
24th March 2025
2pm to 3pm



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Reducing the Risk is dedicated to the safety of adults and children at risk of domestic abuse, and to the empowerment of the professionals and volunteers who support them.

We are local: we provide the High-Risk Independent Domestic Violence Advisory Service in Oxfordshire and bespoke training throughout Thames Valley.

We are national: through our training and our support for practitioners to work together to tackle abuse.

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