

Domestic Abuse, Sexual Abuse and non-domestic Stalking Services in Cumbria

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Foreword

What is Domestic Abuse?

Under the Domestic Abuse Act 2021, Domestic Abuse consists of the following between two people aged 16 or older who are 'personally connected' in that they are or have been in an intimate personal relationship or those who are related.

- physical or sexual abuse.
- violent or threatening behavior.
- controlling or coercive behavior.
- economic abuse.
- psychological, emotional or other abuse.

The definition recognises babies, children and Young People as victims of domestic abuse if they see, hear or otherwise experience the effects of abuse and are related to either the abuser or the abused.

What is Sexual Abuse?

Sexual abuse can take many different forms, including:

- A complete sexual act, such as vaginal, anal or oral intercourse.
- An incomplete sexual act where sex is attempted but unsuccessful.
- Touching or hurting someone's private areas.
- Non-contact sexual abuse, such as exposing one's private parts to an unwitting victim or forcing someone to watch pornography.
- Sexual harassment and verbal sexual assault.
- Forbidding a victim from taking or using birth control, often with the intent to conceive, or forcing a partner to end a pregnancy. Then there's [stealthling](#). These types of abuse can also be referred to as reproductive abuse or reproductive coercion.
- Distributing sexually graphic images of a partner without their consent (even if there was consent when the image was taken). This is referred to as [revenge porn](#).
- Coercing a partner to perform sex acts in front of or involving children, which can also be a form of [incest](#).
- Taking advantage of a partner sexually when they are unable to [consent](#) because they're underage or a vulnerable adult, or they're on drugs, inebriated, sleeping or unconscious.

What is stalking or harassment?

Stalking or harassment happen when someone repeatedly behaves in a way that makes you feel scared, threatened or distressed. Stalking is a form of harassment where the stalker carries out behaviours which are fixated, obsessive, unwanted and repeated. The types of behaviours which may up stalking are not prescribed instead the legislation contains examples of how stalking can take place.

Stalking can include:

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- Following you
- Contacting you or trying to contact you in any way
- Publishing material about you or pretending to be you online or elsewhere
- Monitoring your internet use, emails or other electronic communications
- Loitering near places you go (whether public or private spaces)
- Interfering with your property
- Watching or spying on you

What is cyberstalking?

Stalking or harassment can happen online and through technology. This is called "cyberstalking". It can happen through social media, email, chat rooms and other online platforms.

Cyberstalking can include:

- Finding your personal information online
- Contacting you online
- Monitoring your online activity
- Identity theft, like signing you up for services or buying things in your name
- Damaging your reputation online
- Electronic sabotage, like sending spam or viruses
- Installing spyware or malware on your devices
- Getting other people online to harass or threaten you

The following is a guide to Domestic Abuse, Sexual Abuse & Stalking and Harassment Services in Cumbria, including training opportunities, available services referral mechanisms and Risk Assessment tools

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No one should suffer domestic abuse.
If you are at risk or experiencing abuse help and support is available.

To report: Cumbria police non-emergency call **101** or online www.cumbria.police.uk/report-it in an emergency always call **999**

Domestic Abuse Partnerships Emergency accommodation, in an emergency, please contact your local Borough Council. There is a Statutory Duty to accommodate victims of Domestic Abuse

Cumberland Wide Telephone Number: 0300 373 3730

Email: Allerdale: Homelessness1@cumberland.gov.uk

Carlisle: Homelessness2@cumberland.gov.uk

Copeland: Homelessness3@cumberland.gov.uk

Westmorland Wide Telephone Number Out of hours number for all areas: 01229 833311

Barrow: dutytorefer1@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk **01229 876 599 (office hours)**

Eden: dutytorefer2@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk **01768 212179 (office hours)**

South Lakes: homelessness@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk **01539 793 199 (office hours)**

01229 833311 (out of hours)

Contacting us by telephone is the best option in a crisis situation.

LOCAL SUPPORT SERVICES

Gateway 4 Women

(Carlisle) t: 01228 212090

e: admin@cumbriagateway.co.uk

Gateway 4 men (Carlisle)

t: 01228 212091

e: info@cumbriagateway.co.uk

Gateway 4 Women

(Workington) t: 01900 403220

e: contactus@cumbriagateway.co.uk

Women Community Matters (Barrow) (men and children support also available)

t: 01229 311102

e: reception@womenscommunitymatters.org

Springfield (South Lakeland)

Women's refuge and Men's safe house- takes referrals Nation Wide. Community based support available for men, women & children

t: 01539 726171 **e:** refuge@springfieldsupport.org

Men, women & Children help@springfieldsupport.org

CUMBRIA WIDE SERVICES

Cumbria Victim Support

t: 0300 3030 157 (local) Monday - Friday 9.00am - 6.00pm and 24/7 Support Line 0808 1689 111

e: cumbria.admin@victimsupport.org.uk

Safety Net

t: 01228 515859 <https://www.safetynetuk.org/make-a-referral>

The Birchall Trust

<https://www.birchalltrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/Referral-Form-Adult-21-22.docx>

Freedom Project Cumbria

t: 01900 67167/ 07712 117986

e: admin@freedom-project-westcumbria.org.uk

The Bridgeway Sexual Assault Support

Service t: 0330 223 009 24 Hours

e: the.bridgeway@nhs.net monitored office hours

Cumbria Domestic Abuse Lived Experience Network- Support network- Cumbria Wide. To get involved contact info@ibelieveyou.co.uk

NATIONAL SERVICES

National LGBT Domestic Abuse Victims

t: 0800 9995428

Mankind Initiative

t: 01823 334244 and Men's Advice Line 0808 8010327

The Domestic Abuse Alliance brings together organisations working on the frontline of domestic abuse across the UK with the legal sector to deliver joined-up instant legal assistance and protection

They run the We Protect app. Via this app, victims of DA can get free, legal advice. Referrals can be made online via a one page form or via

Accommodation for Victims of Domestic Abuse- a quick guide

Under the Domestic Abuse Act 2021, there is a statutory duty to accommodate and support victims of Domestic Abuse, including children.

The aim is to stabilise the service user so they are in a position to move into permanent accommodation and recover from their experiences. Each person is allocated a Domestic Abuse Supported Accommodation Officer to act as a Lead Professional to bring in all required services including mentoring, life skills and therapeutic services. In order to make a referral, please contact the relevant area, although those in need can present in any area.

Please contact your local area below.

Cumberland Wide Telephone Number: 0300 373 3730

Email: Allerdale: Homelessness1@cumberland.gov.uk

Carlisle: Homelessness2@cumberland.gov.uk

Copeland: Homelessness3@cumberland.gov.uk

Westmorland Wide Telephone Number: 01229 833311 (Out of hours)

Barrow: dutytorefer1@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk 01229 876 599 (office hours)

Eden: dutytorefer2@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk 01768 212179 (office hours)

South Lakeland: homelessness@westmorlandandfurness.gov.uk 01539 793 199 (office hours)

Data on Domestic Abuse Supported Accommodation service delivery is available here:

DASA Needs Assessment for Cumberland [DASA Needs Assessment for Cumberland \(cumbria.gov.uk\)](https://www.cumbria.gov.uk) updated September 23

DASA Needs Assessment for Westmorland and Furness [DASA Needs Assessment for Westmorland and Furness 2023 \(cumbria.gov.uk\)](https://www.cumbria.gov.uk) updated September 23

updates pending

Training Opportunities



**Westmorland
& Furness
Council**



**Cumberland
Council**

Responding Well- Multi-agency Domestic Abuse Training- endorsed by SafeLives- available to all professionals

Learning outcomes:

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- Define Domestic Abuse with an update on the DA Act 2021 and the changes to current practice/legislation
- Ensure a thorough understanding of controlling and coercive behaviour and how abusive relationships develop
- Explore typologies of abuse using Michael Johnson's model and consider how this impacts our assessment of risk and intervention for families
- Understand the importance of risk assessment- using tools such as the DASH risk assessment and the importance of Professional Judgement
- Identify how trauma impacts survivors and how we can work in a more trauma- informed way
- Understand best practice when working with those impacted by DA and how to use our knowledge of DA to respond in a non-victim-blaming way

This is in person training, across Cumbria. If no events posted, please check back soon

[Responding Well to Domestic Abuse Cumbria](#)



Domestic Abuse, Stalking, Harassment and Honour Based Violence- DASH- Risk Assessment Training- online training

This training has been delivered by Victim Support. It explains the DASH process in detail. It has been shared with partner agencies to hold on their own learning zones.

Please contact your own agency Domestic Abuse Lead for the link.

For wider training opportunities, please sign up to the following newsletters:

Cumberland Safeguarding Children's Partnership



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[Newsletter and five-minute Briefing Sign Up](#)

Westmorland and Furness Safeguarding Children Partnership



[Newsletter Sign Up](#)
[7 minute briefings](#)

Cumbria Safeguarding Adults Board



[CSAB Newsletters](#)

Domestic Abuse Support Services in Cumbria

The Freedom Project



Address: First Floor Offices, Unit 1 Dobies Business Park, Lillyhall West, Workington, CA14 4HX

Phone Number: 01900 67167

Email address: admin@freedom-project-west-cumbria.org.uk

Web address: www.freedom-project-west-cumbria.org.uk

Areas covered: Cumbria

How to Refer: Email admin and ask for a referral form. People can self-refer or be referred by other organisations/ agencies

Services delivered:

Free 1-1 professional counselling for all genders, aged 5+

Waiting List details:

Assessment waiting list: 1 month

One-to-one counselling: 2-3 months

EMDR therapy waiting list: 7 months

Gateway 4 Women



Address: 17a West Tower Street, Carlisle, CA3 8QT

Phone Number: 01228 212090

Email address: admin@cumbriagateway.co.uk

Workington

Address: First Floor, Cumbria House, Oxford Street, Workington, CA14 2NA

Phone Number: 01900 403220

Email address: contactus@cumbriagateway.co.uk

Web address: <https://gateway4women.com>

Area's covered: Cumberland

How to refer: Via email for professionals and admin will send a referral form, clients can self-refer via the contact form on the website or via telephone.

<https://gateway4women.com/contact/>

Services delivered:

- **Freedom Programme** - helps the attendees understand why domestic abuse happens and how to identify signs of abusive behaviour, helping to break the cycle of abuse. Women can share their experiences in a safe and non-judgemental space and gradually build the skills and confidence needed to recognise repeated patterns of abusive behaviour in relationships.
- **My Relationships** – Healthy Relationships course exploring our relationships with friends, family, partner and others. Topics include boundaries, people pleasing and self-care.
- **Beautiful Women/Beautiful Me** – Personal Development course exploring the world and your place in it.
- **Arts and Crafts** – Sewing, Diamond art, Crocheting, Painting and much more
- **Holistic Activities** – Reflexology, Reiki, Quizzes, Walking groups.
- One to One Support
- Housing and Benefit Support
- All services offered to women over the age of 18

Waiting List details:

No waiting list

Gateway 4 Men



GATEWAY 4 MEN

Address: 1st, 2nd and 3rd floor, 29 Lowther street, Carlisle, CA3 8EE

Phone Number: 01228 212091

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Email Address: info@cumbriagateway.co.uk

Web Address: <https://gateway4men.com>

Areas Covered: Carlisle and surrounding areas

How to refer: Via email for professionals and admin will send a referral form, clients can self-refer via the contact form on the website or via telephone.

Services delivered:

Mental and physical wellbeing activities

- Social inclusion
- Arts and Crafts
- Social Activities such as darts and pool, air hockey, board games
- Budgeting and financial support
- One to One Support
- Domestic abuse
- Housing and Benefit Support
- Budgeting and financial support
- All services offered to men over the age of 18

Waiting List details:

No waiting list

Women's Community Matters



Address: Nan Tait, Abbey Road, Barrow-in-Furness, Cumbria. LA14 1LG

Phone Number: 01229 311102

Email address: reception@womenscommunitymatters.org

Web address: www.womenscommunitymatters.org

Area's covered: Barrow and the wider Furness Area

How to refer: Self-referral via our website, social media or in person. Professional referral via our referral form on our website or by contacting reception@womenscommunitymatters.org

Services delivered:

We offer a variety of one-to-one support, courses, activities, support groups and access to specialist services for vulnerable women, young women/girls aged 11 and over, and to young men/boys aged 11-25. We also offer specialist Domestic Abuse support to Women and Men. We deliver our services with love, care, compassion, and kindness and offer a safe space in which women and young people can make their own decisions about changes they want to make in their own lives.

Waiting List details:

Some of our specialist courses have a waiting list due to high demand but we have lots of open access groups and activities available with no waiting list.

Safety Net (UK)



Address: 1 Fisher Street, Carlisle CA3 8RR

Phone Number: 01228 515859

Email address: office@safetynetuk.org

Web address: www.safetynetuk.org

Areas covered: Whole of Cumbria (South Cumbria covered by online only)

How to refer: Via a professional or GP involved with the individual through our website or contact the office for a self-referral.

Services delivered:

Safety Net is a charity which supports the recovery of those affected by rape, exploitation, sexual and domestic abuse across Cumbria. We offer advice, support, counselling and therapy to adults, children and young people, family and friends who have experienced or been affected by abuse and trauma.

Our approach is trauma-informed, holistic, and LGBTQ+ aware, working in partnership with other professionals and community groups with the aim of improving well-being and quality of life.

Waiting List details:

6-9 months

Springfield Domestic Abuse Support Services



Address: Stricklandgate House, 92 Stricklandgate Kendal, LA9 4PU

Phone Number: 01539 726171 / 08081757070

Email address: Help@springfieldsupport.org

Web address: <https://springfieldsupport.org/>

Area's covered: South Lakeland, Tebay, Kirkby Stephen, Appleby, Ulverston, Sedbergh, Kirkby Lonsdale. Independent Stalking Advocate (ISAC) covers the whole of Cumbria

How to refer: email or phone

Services delivered:

Hope to Recover, You and Me Mum, Helping Hands, Phoenix Program, Power to Change.

We deliver single gender programmes, all programs are available to women, men and children where appropriate.

We also have a Women's Refuge and Men's Safehouse

Service Name: Victim Support



Address: Victim Support, Building 3, Eastern Business Park, Wern Fawr Lane, Old St Mellons, Cardiff CF3 5EA

Phone Number: 0300 3030157

Email address: Cumbriaidsva@victimsupport.org.uk

Web address: www.victimsupport.org.uk/cumbria/

Areas covered: Cumbria

How to refer: Professionals can find the information here

<https://www.victimsupport.org.uk/cumbria/professional-referrals/>

Victims & Survivors can also self-refer to our services by calling our service line on 03003030157 or emailing Cumbriaidsva@victimsupport.org.uk

Services delivered:

IDVA & Domestic abuse support services:

Victim Support Cumbria run specialist services for victims of domestic abuse who are at high risk of serious harm. The services are run by our Independent Domestic Violence Advisors (IDVAs). They are fully experienced, trained and accredited to provide a quality, safe and effective service.

IDVAs look at the safety of victims at high risk of harm from partners, ex-partners or family members. They work to make sure victims, and their children are safe.

An IDVA will work with you to make sure your needs and risks are looked after.

They'll work towards reducing your risk, supporting you to move on from domestic abuse and begin your recovery.

Our Victim Advocate team also support victims of domestic abuse regardless of their risk level.

Support is free and confidential to adults aged 16+ who are experiencing domestic violence and abuse.

CHIDVA service:

Children & young people's domestic abuse recovery team:

Victim Support Cumbria have a team of specialist children and young people's domestic abuse practitioners.

We offer positive support and interventions to children and young people impacted by domestic abuse. This could be abuse in their own relationships with a partner or parent/family member, or they could witness abuse at home between parents, carers or siblings.

How we support children and young people in Cumbria

The service provides one-to-one and group work support which usually lasts eight weeks. The support given is determined via a needs-based assessment and is tailored to the individual. The support worker will look at topics such as safety, confidence, family, sleep, school, feelings and behaviour with the young person.

Independent Sexual Violence service (ISVA)

Victim Support have a team of specialist Independent Sexual Violence Advisors, known as ISVAs, across Cumbria.

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ISVAs offer free non-judgemental and confidential support and advice to survivors of sexual abuse. They work with adults, children and young people (age 5+).

ISVAs can work with you whether or not you've reported the crime to the police. It doesn't matter when the crime occurred.

Waiting List details

- VS Cumbria do not have a waiting list for Domestic Abuse cases of any risk grading.
- Children's IDVA team may have a small holding list once initial assessments have been completed. Resources & self-help tools are available for parents & safe carers if their child or young person is waiting to start our recovery programme.
- Our ISVA service sometimes implements a short-term holding list when our ISVA service reaches capacity. After initial assessment, if a victim has high or complex needs, they will be allocated an ISVA. Any victims placed on our holding list will be provided with a point of contact within the team in case their support needs change and/or will be contacted every 4-6 weeks and allocated to an ISVA as soon as one becomes available.

Service Name: [The Birchall Trust](#)



Address: 60 Hartington St, Barrow in Furness, Cumbria, LA14 5SR

Phone Number: 01229 820828

Email address: enquiries@birchalltrust.org.uk

Web address: <https://www.birchalltrust.org.uk/>

Area's covered: South Cumbria

Services delivered including any programmes, detailing if they are available for men/ women/ non-binary/children/ families: Supporting survivors of rape and sexual abuse, we offer support to anyone aged 4 and above

How to refer: Through website

Link to any annual reports: <https://www.birchalltrust.org.uk/our-reports>

Please could you also provide detail of waiting lists for each service/ programme:

Approximately 9-12 months

The Bridgeway, Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC)



Address: 2 Tynefield Drive, Penrith, Ca11 8JA

Phone Number: 0330 223 0099

Email Address: the.Bridgeway@nhs.net

Web Address: www.thebridgeway.org.uk

Areas covered: Cumbria

Services delivered:

We provide support to people of all ages, genders (including men, women, and non-binary individuals), sexualities, and those with disabilities. Our Services Include:

- Immediate over-the-phone support and signposting for anyone affected by rape or sexual assault
- In-person crisis support and healthcare, including access to medicines and emergency contraception
- Forensic medical examinations for recent sexual assault or rape
- Holistic examinations and care for non-recent sexual assault cases
- Collection and secure storage of forensic samples
- Referrals to specialist counselling, Independent Sexual Violence Advisor (ISVA) services, and sexual health support
- Follow-up contact after appointments to ensure ongoing care and support

How to refer: Call 0330 223 0099 – 24/7, 365 days a year

Self-referral: This option allows you to receive important healthcare and have evidence collected, without reporting to the Police.

You can directly make an appointment to attend the centre without involving the police.

If you wish to self-refer into the SARC please call us on 0330 223 0099 and one of our nurses will discuss your options with you.

Police Referral: You can report the assault to the Police, and they will gather information about your case, arrange a SARC appointment for you and bring you to and from the centre.

If you need the police involved, please call 101.

Professional Referral: You can also be referred to our SARC by another service (such as your GP, sexual health clinicians, social care and 111 services).

Professionals cannot contact us without your consent and the SARC will ask to speak with you directly before booking an appointment to make sure you understand the process and feel in control of the situation.

Support for Perpetrators of Domestic Abuse



Turning the Spotlight (TTS) provides a RESPECT accredited holistic whole family approach to working with those causing harm and abuse, and situations where conflict within relationships is becoming or has the potential to become abusive. This is based on a 12-week healthy relationships group programme.



DRIVE

The Drive Programme has Domestic Abuse Perpetrator Panels (DAPP) attended by all partners will provide information held on the subject Perpetrator, with a strong focus on the risk they pose and importantly the level of risk being experienced by the victim and their children.

After a 12 month period, the anticipated capacity of DA perpetrators working or having worked with the DRIVE team will be approx 120 High-Risk DA Perps. DRIVE ethos is for the Perpetrator to address and change their abusive behaviours to prevent this cycle of abuse being replicated into another relationship, causing continued damage, removing the onus from the victim to leave their abuser, potentially being placed in a more dangerous situation, uprooting their and their children's lives.

The DRIVE team will consist of a mix of Police officers and victim support staff. Victim support will engage and support the perpetrators to create stable lifestyle for behaviour work to start. They will also provide every victim with a dedicated IDVA to support them through the process and identify any outstanding needs they have. Police will continue to work closely with our partner agencies, and will carry out disruption and enforcement tactics, proactively targeting every aspect of the perpetrators life, to put barriers in place preventing criminal activity from continuing or anti-social living, with an aim to get them to engage positively with this behaviour change program.

MARAC is a key component for identifying those high-risk DA perpetrators. The vast majority of referrals to Drive will be identified via MARAC. Due to the number of MARAC referrals (approx 144 per month) a rigorous scoring system based on the criteria the DRIVE central team have identified as who should and shouldn't be considered for DRIVE.

This assessment process will take place every week, prior to the cases being heard at MARAC with the MARAC chair being given the names of those perpetrators from the MARAC agenda who will be considered for DRIVE.

The question at MARAC to be discussed in relation to the identified perp is

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“Do partner agencies and / or the MARAC chair believe that enforcement action or DRIVE intervention will increase the risk of harm to the victim or any children?”

If the answer is 'Yes' this will be fed back to the DRIVE team to ensure any concerns are heard at the DRIVE panel prior to adopting.

Once a perpetrator is adopted onto DRIVE, the IDVA will make direct contact with the victim, obtain their consent for this process to take place, then the DRIVE case managers from Victim support will conduct a thorough risk assessment and plan to meet the perpetrator.

Another referral process into DRIVE is for there to be a consideration to those serial and prolific DA perps that continually cause harm, however remain at a medium risk, therefore not heard at MARAC. These are identified via our current MATAC algorithm the RFGV matrix.

There are no other referral processes into DRIVE currently, but this will be reviewed in the coming months

Assessing risk, DASH Risk Assessments and referral to MARAC (Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference)

Anyone who receives a disclosure of Domestic Abuse OR who has concerns based on professional Judgement MUST complete a DASH Risk Assessment

Please remember, you may hold a small piece of a jigsaw, which added to other pieces, may save someone's life

We have 4 DASH Risk Assessments that have been adopted across Cumbria

Please use the most relevant one:

NOTE: these risk assessments **DO NOT** replace other statutory processes/ safeguarding procedures

Practitioners should adapt language to meet needs of client

General DASH- for those aged 16-59 at risk of Homicide

[16-5G DASH](#)

The older person's DASH- for those aged 59+ at risk of Homicide

[5G+ DASH](#)

Potential Suicide DASH- for those experiencing MH issues, life changing events

[Potential Suicide DASH](#)

DASH for Children and Young People 12-15 and Adults with learning disabilities (note: this is a pilot assessment)

[Children/YP aged 12-15, Adults with LD DASH](#)

What is MARAC- Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference?

This is a weekly meeting to discuss how to help victims at high-risk of murder/serious harm and suicide.

The meeting allows the sharing of information and resources between agencies and professionals. This allows agencies to volunteer specialist actions/support – which create multi-agency risk management action plans. Together the attendees write an action plan for each victim.

The MARAC enables agencies to work together and share resources.

A referral to MARAC should be made if:

- 14 YES ticks on the DASH Risk Assessment
OR
- Professional Judgement- Use your professional judgement in conjunction with the DASH risk indicators to assist in identifying and grading the risk.

If the DASH does not meet the threshold for MARAC, you should consider safety planning, referral to relevant agencies in order to best support the person.

Please remember- the DASH is a live document and should be completed with any increase or decrease in risk or every three months as good practice.

If referring to MARAC, please send the completed DASH and the below MARAC referral form to

[Referral into the Marac process](#)

NOTE: You have to be aged 16+ to be referred to MARAC. Where there are Domestic Abuse Concerns for those under 16, please refer to other Safeguarding procedures

What is the MASC- Multi Agency Stalking Coordination Panel

The Multi-Agency Stalking Coordination (MASC) group was launched on 16th June 2025 for Cumbria. This is a fortnightly multi-agency operational group which reviews medium and high-risk cases of Stalking which are **not** related to Domestic Abuse.

Why introduce a MASC?

A gap has been identified where to date, there has not been effective multi agency coordination of stalking cases which are not related to Domestic Abuse. Learning from other parts of the country show that significant harm can be prevented and reduced when key agencies share information at an early stage and work together. High risk stalking offending which is related to Domestic Abuse will continue to be managed through existing processes such as MARAC, MATAAC and MAPPA.

- Any agency can refer a case into the group. They should have completed the Stalking DASH risk assessment preferably with the victim or on behalf of the

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victim, provide full details of those involved and a summary of the circumstances of the case.

- Referrals should be made at least 3 working days prior to the MASC to be heard at the next session.
- The MASC should not prevent expected inter-agency working and safeguarding. Where urgent multi-agency information sharing or coordination is required, these should be progressed, rather than waiting for the next MASC.
- Each referring agency will be invited to present cases which they have referred.
- Each case will be assessed as to what has been done, and what needs to be done considering the following areas:

Victim:

Effective support, Safety measures, Target Hardening, Digital and Online Safety Measures

Perpetrator:

Investigation, Disruption, Prosecution, Civil Orders

Impact on Children:

Safety measures, Consider cumulative harm, Effective Support

Further support:

Does the case or individuals involved require a referral to another process or agency? MAPPA / PDP / Statutory Services / 3rd Sector Services

MASC Referral Form:

[Referral into the MASC process](#)

MASC Risk Assessment

[Risk Screening Checklist](#)