

## LSCB Safeguarding

### "Bite Size" Learning Scenarios

### Honour Based Violence

#### ●●● to be discussed in Agency Team Meetings

In the LSCB Learning & Development subgroup we have agreed that organisations and teams be asked to use 15 minutes within relevant team meetings 4 times a year to discuss a safeguarding issue. Team responses should be included in your team minutes and forwarded to the safeguarding lead within your organisation.

We hope that this is a way in which frontline staff across different organisations can explore some areas of learning without the need to attend formal training. It should also highlight areas of further learning. We can provide assistance with access to relevant learning materials.

●●● *"You receive information that a 16 year old female is frightened to return home as her parents have found out she has been seeing a boy"*

**What would you do with this information?**

#### **Points for discussion:**

- How would you make contact with this young person?
- Would you approach the family?
- How would you assess this risk?
- What would you do with this information?
- What is your role in this situation?

If you are leading this discussion here is information for you to investigate to assist with the discussion:

### Useful resources

[http://safe.met.police.uk/crimes\\_of\\_honour/get\\_the\\_facts.html](http://safe.met.police.uk/crimes_of_honour/get_the_facts.html)

[https://www.cps.gov.uk/legal/h\\_to\\_k/honour\\_based\\_violence\\_and\\_forced\\_marriage/](https://www.cps.gov.uk/legal/h_to_k/honour_based_violence_and_forced_marriage/)

[www.londonscb.gov.uk/files/honourbasedviolence.doc](http://www.londonscb.gov.uk/files/honourbasedviolence.doc)

<http://www.karmanirvana.org.uk/component/content/article/30-what-is/72-honour-based-abuse.html>

<http://ikwro.org.uk/2011/12/03/nearly-3000-cases-of-honour-violence-every-year-in-the-uk>

### Figures for HBV

- There have been over 3000 cases of so called honour based violence recorded by the police in the UK in 2011;
- Out of these cases 500 were in London;
- The MET police had most of the cases 495;

DASH (2009) Honour Based Violence (HBV) Risk Questions

**Q20. Is there any other person who has threatened you or who you are afraid of?\*** (If yes, please specify who and why. Consider extended family if HBV)

**Practice Point: If the victim is subject to HBV and answers 'yes' to this question, please consider the following questions:**

- ✓ Truancy – if under 18 years old is the victim truanting?  
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- ✓ Self-harm – is there evidence of self harm?  
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- ✓ House arrest and being 'policed at home' – is the victim being kept at home or their behaviour activity being policed(describe the behaviours)?  
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- ✓ Fear of being forced into an engagement/marriage – is the victim worried that they will be forced to marry against their will?  
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- ✓ Pressure to go abroad – is the victim fearful of being taken abroad?

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Isolation – is the victim very isolated?  
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A pre-marital relationship or extra marital affairs – is the victim  
believed to be in a relationship that is not approved of?  
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- ✓ .....  
Attempts to separate or divorce (child contact issues) –is the  
victim attempting to leave the relationship?  
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- ✓ .....  
Threats that they will never see the children again – are there  
threats that the child(ren) will be taken away?  
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- ✓ .....  
Threats to hurt/kill – are there threats to hurt or kill the  
victm/others?