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**STRATEGIC SAFER COMMUNITIES TEAM**

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT**

**DOMESTIC ABUSE**

**TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES**

**JANUARY - JUNE 2024**



Welcome to the new training opportunities booklet which outlines the sessions available between January and June 2024. Please read the information on this page before booking onto a session. Please ensure that you provide us with your **current contact details**, including the best number to reach you on when booking onto a session as we may need to contact you at short notice to cancel.

Training sessions will be held at one of the locations listed below:
Wakefield Town Hall, Wood Street, Wakefield, WF1 2HQ.
St Swithun’s Community Centre, Arncliffe Road, Eastmoor, WF1 4RR.

Refreshments will only be available on arrival for sessions taking place in the Town Hall – you are also welcome to bring your own drinks.

Water will be provided at St Swithun’s Community Centre and a coffee shop is available onsite – you are also welcome to bring your own drinks.

Please also note that we have **no control** over the temperature of the rooms, so please dress accordingly.

**For online sessions** - please join the session 5 minutes before the start time and as instructed in the e-mail link you will receive, put yourself on mute and turn off cameras as this helps minimise interference.

We understand that emergencies can happen but if you know you are unable to stay for the whole session then please re-book onto a different session date.

**Failure to attend charge**

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Any enquires please e-mail DAForum@wakefield.gov.uk or contact Nicola Manson on 07826 950 207.

**Domestic Abuse Awareness – 3 ½ Hours**

This session will provide participants with an overview of domestic abuse. It will explore the different tactics of abuse and highlight the complex dynamics within an abusive relationship. The session will include presentation, informal group discussion and video content.

The session will:

* Provide the definition of domestic abuse
* Identify the prevalence of domestic abuse
* Explain in detail the abusive tactics of power and control
* Identify the indicators of domestic abuse
* Provide an overview of risk
* Have details of local and national support

**Session provided by:
Anna Tomlinson Simpson – Domestic Abuse Early Intervention Manager**

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| 17th January 2024 | 09:30 – 13:00 | Kingswood Suite, Town Hall |
| 6th March 2024 | 09:30 – 13:00 | Kingswood Suite, Town Hall |
| 21st May 2024 | 09:30 – 13:00 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |

**‘Why don’t they just leave?’ – The Power of Coercive Control – 3 ½ Hours**

This session will explore the power of coercive control. The session will include presentation, informal group discussion and video content.

 The session will:

* Provide an overview of coercive control including definitions
* Explain how tactics of coercive control are used by abusers
* Consider the barriers to leaving an abusive situation
* Identify how we can support victims exposed to tactics of coercive control
* Provide information on local and national support.

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| 9th April 2024 | 09:30 – 13:00 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |
| 11th June 2024 | 09:30 – 13:00 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |

**Domestic Abuse, Stalking, Harassment and Honour Based Violence**

**DASH (2009) – 2 Hours**

This session will provide participants with a working knowledge of the Risk Identification Checklist – DASH 2009. The checklist is used to decide which victims of domestic abuse need to be referred to the MARAC process. The session will be a mixture of presentation, informal group discussion and working through the risk identification document.

The session will:

* Provide an overview of how the DASH (2009) was developed
* Describe high risk circumstances and high-risk injury
* Work through each question within the Risk Identification Checklist
* Discuss the procedures to refer a case to MARAC
* Provide the details of local and national support

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| 8th February 2024 | 09:30 – 11:30 | Kingswood Suite, Town Hall |
| 18th April 2024 | 09:30 – 11:30 | Old Restaurant, Town Hall |
| 28th June 2024 | 10:00 – 12:00 | Online Session – Teams |

**Domestic Abuse Act 2021 Update – 1 ½ Hours**

This session will provide an update on the Domestic Abuse Act 2021 as more measures come into force to support victims of domestic abuse and their families. The session will be via Microsoft Teams.

The session will:

* Provide an overview of the Domestic Abuse Act 2021
* Give updated information on measures as they come into effect
* Provide information on future planned measures and implementation dates
* Give an overview on how Wakefield District is responding to the Domestic Abuse Act 2021

**Session provided by:**

**Karen Harcourt – Domestic Abuse and Sexual Abuse Training Officer**

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| 28th February 2024 | 09:30 – 11:00  | Online Session - Teams |
| 22nd May 2024 | 14:00 – 15:30  | Online Session - Teams |

**Sexual Abuse Awareness – 2 ½ Hours**

Sexual Violence and Abuse is a tactic often used by perpetrators within the context of a domestic abuse relationship. The session will include presentation and group discussion and video content.

This session will:

* Provide a definition of rape and sexual assault
* Describe the prevalence of sexual abuse
* Discuss attitudes to rape
* Identify how victims can be affected
* Look at the barriers to disclosing sexual abuse
* Identify legal and government measures
* Provide details on support for victims

**Session provided by:**

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| 19th March 2024 | 09:30 – 12:00 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |
| 20th June 2024 | 09:30 – 12:00 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |

**Female Genital Mutilation – 2 Hours**

Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) is a form of violence and abuse affecting women and girls (Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG)). Different tactics of Domestic Abuse may be used within the context of FGM. The session will include presentation and discussion. There will be some pictures shown and some video content.

This session will:

* Provide an overview of FGM
* Detail the prevalence of the issue
* Give information on the different types of FGM
* Describe how victims are affected by this form of abuse
* Explore myths and beliefs
* Provide details of the law around FGM, and the local pathways for support

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| 6th February 2024 | 09:30 – 11:30 | Kingswood Suite, Town Hall |

**Child and Adolescent to Parent Violence and Abuse (CAPVA) – 2 ½ Hours**

Participants will gain an understanding of CAPVA, increasing their knowledge of this form of abuse and of the effects on victims and their families, enabling them to support people in their daily work. The session will be a mixture of presentation and group discussion with some video content.

The session will:

* Explore what CAPVA is and note the prevalence
* Identify forms of abuse and the effects of CAPVA on parents and wider family
* Recognise the barriers which prevent disclosure
* Provide details of support available

**Session provided by:**

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| 14th March 2024 | 09:30 – 12:00 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |
| 26th June 2024 | 09:30 – 12:00 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |

**Domestic Homicide Reviews – Lessons Learned – 2 Hours**

This session will give an overview of Domestic Homicide Reviews (DHR) and disseminate learning from recent reviews. The session will include presentation and group discussion, with some video content.

The session will:

* Outline the process for conducting DHR’s
* Provide learning from recent review
* Explore emerging themes
* Advise how ‘lessons learned’ can be incorporated into your own team or organisation’s processes
* Give an introduction to the Homicide Timeline

**Session provided by:**

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| 25th January 2024 | 09:30 – 11:30 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |
| 12th April 2024 | 09:30 – 11:30 | Conference Room, St Swithuns |

**MARAC Awareness – 2 ½ Hours**

MARAC (Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference) plays a crucial role to increase the safety, health and wellbeing of domestic abuse victims and their families. The session will be a mixture of presentation, group discussion and some video content.

The session will:

* Explain the new definition of domestic abuse and look at prevalence
* Identify what MARAC is, its aim and process and explain the referral pathway
* Provide information on repeats, transfers and local MARAC statistics
* Give an explanation of Clare’s Law

**Session provided by:**

**- Karen Harcourt – Domestic Abuse and Sexual Abuse Training Officer
- Rebecca Norie – MARAC Coordinator
- Michelle Andrew – Domestic Violence Coordinator, West Yorkshire Police**

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| 12th January 2024 | 09:30 – 12:00 | Kingswood Suite, Town Hall |
| 13th March 2024 | 09:30 – 11:30 | Online Session – Teams |
| 7th June 2024 | 09:30 – 12:00 | Kingswood Suite, Town Hall |

**Teen Relationship Abuse – 1 Hour** **(Enhancing knowledge around victims with Protected Characteristics)**

Young people can experience high levels of domestic abuse in their relationships. This session will give an overview of Teen Relationship Abuse, looking at its different forms and effects on victims and their families. The session will be via Microsoft Teams.

The session will:

* Highlight the prevalence of teen relationship abuse
* Explore possible indicators of the abuse and its effects
* Discuss disclosures and effective handling of disclosures
* Look at support available and how this can be implemented

**Session provided by:**

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| 10th April 2024 | 09:30 – 10:30 | Online Session – Teams |
| 14th June 2024 | 14:00 – 15:00 | Online Session – Teams |

**Older Victims of Domestic Abuse – 1 ¼ Hours
(Enhancing knowledge around victims with Protected Characteristics)**

This session will provide participants with an increased knowledge of older victims of domestic abuse, including specific challenges and how to support them. The session will be via Microsoft Teams.

The session will:

* Look at the prevalence of older victims of domestic abuse
* Give an explanation of different types of abuse
* Recognise complications and challenges due to older age, dementia and Alzheimer’s
* Look at what support can be put in place
* Discuss a local domestic homicide review involving an older victim

**Session provided by:**

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| 18th January 2024 | 09:30 – 10:45 | Online Session – Teams |
| 16th April 2024 | 14:00 – 15:15  | Online Session – Teams |

**Male Victims of Domestic Abuse – 1 Hour
(Enhancing knowledge around victims with Protected Characteristics)**

1 in 6 men experience domestic abuse at some time in their lives. The session will recognise that, although domestic abuse disproportionately affects women and girls, men and boys are also victims with their own specific challenges. The session will be via Microsoft Teams.

The session will:

* Look at prevalence of male victims of domestic abuse
* Recognise that there are types of abuse and challenges more specific to men
* Explore barriers to disclosure
* Give details of local and national initiatives and support

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| 17th May 2024 | 14:00 – 15:00 | Online Session – Teams |

**Disabled Victims of Domestic Abuse – 1 ½ Hours
(Enhancing knowledge around victims with Protected Characteristics)**

Participants will gain an awareness around disabled victims of domestic abuse, including types of abuse, challenges and barriers. They will also learn what they can do in their role to support disabled victims. The session will be via Microsoft Teams.

The session contains:

* A discussion on protected characteristics and the definition of disability
* Prevalence regarding disabled victims
* Types of abuse including tactics specific to disabled victims
* Challenges and barriers to disclosing and accessing support
* What we can do to support disabled victims

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| 27th June 2024 | 14:00 – 15:30 | Online Session – Teams |