



Information update re: domestic and sexual abuse and other support services #37 30-07-20

Hello all, hope everyone is keeping safe and well. Please find latest info and news below and attached. If you have anything you want sharing or any updates about your service delivery please just send it in.

Content Note: some of the articles and information in this newsletter may include detailed discussion of physical, emotional and sexual abuse, please be mindful of your own triggers, safety and feelings – take care.

<u>Victims Consultation Group Cumbria</u> – The Police and Crime Commissioner for Cumbria is dedicated to putting victims first. If you have been a victim of crime and would like to help assist with improving victim services you can join the Victims Consultation Group. For more information contact <u>commissioner@cumbria-pcc.gov.uk</u>

<u>Online training</u> - Cumbria Safeguarding Children Partnership still has a range of excellent online training, including domestic abuse training at

https://www.cumbriasafeguardingchildren.co.uk/LSCB/training/domesticabuselearningevents.asp

<u>Child Abuse Review journal article</u> – 'When Coercive Control Continues to Harm Children: Post-Separation Fathering, Stalking and Domestic Violence' (2020) Katz E, Nikupeteri A and Laitinen M. available here https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/car.2611

<u>Respect Men's Advice Line</u> – see social media image below. Further information at https://mensadviceline.org.uk/

<u>Modern slavery</u> – see social media image for Modern Slavery Helpline below, 0800 121 700.

<u>Latest news and articles relating to domestic and sexual abuse</u>

- 1. Who will stop my stalker? The sudden, shocking rise in stalking cases https://www.you.co.uk/who-will-stop-my-stalker/
- 2. Calls to domestic abuse helplines increased 'every single week' during lockdown, commissioner reveals https://www.standard.co.uk/news/uk/calls-increase-domestic-abuse-helplines-lockdown-nicole-jacobs-a4501431.html
- Coronavirus: Domestic abuse helpline sees lockdown surge https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-53498675?fbclid=lwAR0QDNUibWvRzOf991MJ-9ZcnwGPK6JX1bm61xoqLfjGilqNQG1PyvD1zaE
- 4. One in seven young women receive revenge porn threats, finds Refuge survey https://www.independent.co.uk/life-style/women/revenge-porn-threats-crime-women-domestic-abuse-refuge-survey-a9603426.html
- 5. Twisted priorities mean Cafcass has failed to protect children from abusive parents https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/jul/28/twisted-priorities-mean-cafcass-has-failed-to-protect-children-from-abusive-parents
- 6. Five women found dead in Doncaster: 'We don't want women's deaths to become normalised' https://www.independent.co.uk/news/uk/crime/domestic-violence-women-doncaster-death-toll-coronavirus-a9636461.html
- 7. Sunderland domestic abuse survivors start furniture scheme https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-tyne-53555328

8. Prosecutors vow to 'do more' as rape conviction rate reaches record low - https://www.itv.com/news/2020-07-30/prosecutors-vow-to-do-more-rape-conviction-rate-reaches-record-low

<u>Surviving Economic Abuse Survey</u> - Economic safety needs of current victim-survivors of economic abuse in the context of coronavirus. This questionnaire explores the economic safety needs of victim-survivors who are <u>currently experiencing economic abuse from a current or former intimate partner</u> during the coronavirus outbreak in the UK. It is run by UK charity <u>Surviving Economic Abuse</u> (SEA). We are looking for responses from both victim-survivors and frontline professionals who support them. Your safety and wellbeing is vital. Only complete the questionnaire if you feel safe to. See here for more https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/FGVQH52

<u>Cumbria Domestic Abuse Champions' Network social media</u> – you can follow Cumbria Domestic Abuse Champions' Network on social media for regular posts/updates. On Twitter <u>@AbuseCumbria</u> and on <u>Facebook</u> @CumbriaDomesticAbuseChampionsNetwork

<u>Champions' Network newsletters</u> - You can find all the previous copies of these newsletters in PDF format at http://www.womenscommunitymatters.org/cumbria-domestic-champions/ just in case you lose/misplace any info.

Kind regards, Steve



What happens when I call the Modern Slavery Helpline?

- Is it free? Yes, our service is free if you are calling from the UK.
- Who will I speak to? One of our expert modern slavery advisors.
- Will the authorities know I have called? No, we are private and confidential.
- **Is it modern slavery?** If in doubt please call! We will be able to assess the situation.



