

Domestic Abuse of an 'Adult at Risk'

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An adult is subject to domestic abuse who does NOT have care and support needs related to a mental or physical impairment or illness

POSSIBLE ACTION

Refer to the Police if appropriate (If someone's life is in danger or a crime is in progress dial 999. Otherwise, call main switchboard number on 101).
Complete DASH Risk assessment

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<p>Abuse of an adult with care and support needs in a way described throughout this guidance including the examples on this page, by someone who is or have been and intimate partner or family members regardless of gender or sexuality.</p>	<p>Controlling behaviour Behaviour designed to make a person subordinate and/or dependent by isolating them from sources of support, exploiting their resources and capacities for personal gain, depriving them of the means needed for independence, resistance and escape and regulating their everyday behaviour</p>	<p>Forced Marriage Physical pressure to marry (eg threats, physical violence or sexual violence) or emotional and psychological pressure (eg being made to feel like you're bringing shame on your family). Read information and practice guidelines for professionals protecting, advising and supporting victims of forced marriage.</p>	<p>'Honour' based violence Abuse which is perpetrated in the name of so called 'honour'. 'Reasons' given for violence may include a woman having a boyfriend; rejecting a forced marriage; pregnancy outside of marriage; interfaith relationships; seeking divorce, inappropriate dress or make-up and even kissing in a public place.</p>
<p>Coercive behaviour An act or a pattern of acts of assault, threats, humiliation and intimidation or other abuse that is used to harm, punish, or frighten their victim</p>			

Remember: All examples, whether a safeguarding referral is required or not, require some action.