



## Oxfordshire Domestic Abuse Training 2010

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## 1. What is Domestic Abuse?

### Defintion

“Any incident of threatening behaviour, violence or abuse (pyschological, physical, sexual, financial, or emotional) between adults who are or have been intimate partners or family members, regardless of gender or sexuality”.

*Home office 2004*

This includes issues of concern to black and minority ethnic (BME) communities such as Honor Based Violence; Female Genital Muiation (FGM) and Forced Marriage ( FM).

Domestic abuse affects 1 in 4 women and 1 in 6 men in their lifetime - and 1 in 10 women at any moment in time. Globally is a leading cause of death or serious injury in women aged 19-44 - greater than cancer, war or motor vehicle accidents. In the UK 2 women a week are killed by their current or ex-partner and domestic abuse costs the economy £23 billion a year ( 2002 Walby). It invariably affects children – with risk to their emotional wellbeing, behaviour, attainment and long-term life chances - the younger the child the greater the impact. It is in an element in the circumstances of ¾ of children on child protection plans and a combination of domestic abuse, substance misuse and mental health is the lead factor in serious case reviews of child death and serious injury.

## 2. Oxfordshire Safeguarding Children Board (OSCB) training courses

### a) Domestic Abuse Awareness Online Training – Level 1

**Aim:** This online training package is a basic level introduction to domestic abuse and is intended to raise awareness.

**Objectives:** By the end of the course participants will be aware of:

- Definition of domestic abuse
- What domestic abuse is
- Dynamics of domestic abuse
- Services and support
- Facts and figures related to domestic abuse
- Further training and information

#### **Who is the training for?**

This training package is for all front line staff across Oxfordshire.

#### **How long does the training take?**

The training takes approximately 30 minutes to complete but you can log in and out and complete the training at a time that suites you.

#### **How much does the course cost?**

This course is free.

#### **How do I book onto this course?**

No need to book - just log on to [www.oscb.org.uk](http://www.oscb.org.uk)

### b) Domestic Abuse Awareness – Level 2

This is a one day full introductory course to develop awareness and understanding of domestic abuse and appropriate responses.

**Aim:** To raise awareness of domestic abuse

**Objectives:** By the end of the course participants will be able to:

- Identify the spectrum of domestic abuse and its impact on others
- To identify and link appropriate support/intervention services
- To know how to undertake a domestic abuse risk assessment
- To understand core elements of safety planning with victims/children/young people
- Understanding information sharing responsibilities

### **Who is the course for?**

For professionals working within and/or new to the Domestic Abuse sector and/or those who could be working with clients affected by Domestic Abuse whether children/young people and/or parents/carers.

### **How long does the training take?**

It is a stand alone 1 day course, however it is recommended this serve as the Introductory course to the 1 day Domestic Abuse and Children.

### **How much does the course cost?**

This course is free however the OSCB Training Project will charge for late cancellations and/or failure(s) to attend.

Cancellations within less than 10 working days notice of the course date may incur a charge of £50. All cancellations must be acknowledged by the OSCB Training Project for notification to be accepted.

If the delegate fails to attend and the project does not receive any cancellation details at all this may incur a charge of £100.

Only in exceptional circumstances (as determined by the Training Project) will charges be waved. Cancellations relating to sickness would have to be verified by Line Managers. Notification of cancellations are only valid when within agreed timescales and acknowledged by the OSCB Training Project.

### **When and where is this course running?**

This course will be delivered in a number of Oxfordshire Districts between April 2010 and March 2011

Tuesday	5 <sup>th</sup> October	South Oxfordshire District Council Offices
Tuesday	14th December	Radley College, Abingdon
Wednesday	8th February	Cherwell District council – Bodicote House

### **How do I book onto this course?**

For more information or to book a place on this course please visit [www.oscb.org.uk](http://www.oscb.org.uk)

### **c) Domestic Abuse and Children – level 2**

A 1 day course looking at the effects of Domestic Abuse on Children, including awareness on how to recognise and manage safeguarding concerns.

**Aim:** To raise awareness of Domestic Abuse and Children

**Objectives:** By the end of the course participants will be able to:

- identify the spectrum of domestic abuse and its impact on others
- identify and link appropriate support/intervention services
- know how to undertake a domestic abuse risk indicator matrix
- understand core element of safety planning with victims/children/young people
- understanding information sharing responsibilities

#### **Who is the course for?**

This training is targeted at professionals working within and/or new to the Domestic Abuse sector and/or those who could be working with clients affected by Domestic Abuse whether children/young people and/or parents/carers. It is also useful for those professional who work with children and have completed the Domestic Abuse Champions training.

#### **How long does the training take?**

It is a 1 day course which can be accessed as such however, it is recommended you complete the 1 day Domestic Abuse Awareness course prior to attending this course.

#### **How much does the course cost?**

This course is free however the OSCB Training Project will be charges for late cancellations and/or failure(s) to attend.

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#### **When and where is this course running?**

This course will be delivered in a number of Oxfordshire Districts between April 2010 and March 2011.

Thursday	7 <sup>th</sup> October	South Oxfordshire District Council Offices
Thursday	16th December	Radley College, Abingdon
Friday	16th February	Cherwell District council – Bodicote House

### **How do I book onto this course?**

For more information or to book a place on this course please visit [www.oscb.org.uk](http://www.oscb.org.uk)

## **3. Specialist training**

### **a) Community Domestic Abuse Champions training – Level 3**

Domestic Abuse Champions are networks of practitioners from a range of agencies who are committed to supporting victims of domestic abuse across Oxfordshire. Champions are trained through a purpose designed multi agency course and are subsequently supported and resourced. They act as leads for domestic abuse within their own agency or unit and as a contact point for multi agency liaison.

Champions commit to meet together on a regular basis to:

- add to and update their knowledge
- develop professional and personal relationships which will enable them to work as a multi agency team and
- discuss and develop mutual/multi agency expertise in risk assessment and casework

They are able to advise colleagues within their agencies on management of individual cases and ensure they are aware of and have access to local resources and support. They can draw on the expertise and knowledge of other local champions. They understand the roles and contribution of different agencies and are well placed to work together to support and promote the safety and wellbeing of victims and children. All champions are required to have consent from their manager to take on the role of champion and a service level agreement is provided.

**Aim:** To raise awareness of domestic abuse and training for a specific role.

**Objectives:** By the end of the course participants will be aware of:

- the role of a Domestic Abuse Champion and the networks
- prevalence of domestic abuse
- understanding of definitions of domestic abuse and vulnerable adults
- identifying the spectrum of domestic abuse and its impact on others including inter relationships within the family.
- why people abuse
- difficulties in leaving
- identifying and linking appropriate support/intervention services
- risk assessments and processes

- understanding core element of safety planning with victims/children/young people
- understanding information sharing responsibilities

### **Who is the course for?**

Professionals from statutory or voluntary sector services and teams working within and/or new to the Domestic Abuse sector and one or two professionals from a wide range of generic services and teams which may be working with clients affected by Domestic Abuse (whether children/young people and/or parents/carers) and who are keen to take on the role of champion for their service and have the support of their manager to do so

### **How long does the training take?**

It is a 2 day course which can be accessed as such. It is recommended you complete the OSCB online Domestic Abuse Awareness course prior to attending this course. It is not necessary to attend the 1 day OSCB domestic abuse awareness course as the same material is covered.

### **How much does the course cost?**

This course is free however there will be charges for late cancellations and/or failure(s) to attend.

Cancellations within less than 10 working days notice of the course date may incur a charge of £50. All cancellations must be acknowledged by the training providers for notification to be accepted.

Only in exceptional circumstances (as determined by the training providers) will charges be waived. Cancellations relating to sickness would have to be verified by Line Managers. Notification of cancellations are only valid when within agreed timescales and acknowledged by the Training Providers.

### **When and where is this course running?**

This course will be delivered in a number Oxfordshire Districts between April 2010 and March 2011.

The only available course for 2010 is on the 15<sup>th</sup> and 16th November 2010 at South Oxfordshire District Council Offices in Crowmarsh Gifford.

### **How do I book onto this course?**

For more information or to book a place on this course please visit to [www.reducingtherisk.org.uk](http://www.reducingtherisk.org.uk) or [click here](#)

## **b) Schools Domestic Abuse Champions training – 1 day**

The focus is on supporting child protection procedures within schools in relation to domestic abuse and information sharing - in order for school to receive and make appropriate use of information about pupils affected by domestic abuse. OSCB has endorsed a requirement that Oxfordshire Schools have at least one domestic abuse champion – normally the child protection lead. This is laid out in the information sharing protocol drawn up by police and education.

**Aim:** To raise awareness of domestic abuse and training around a specific role within their school.

**Objectives:** By the end of the course participants will be aware of:

- the role of a Domestic Abuse Champion and the network
- prevalence of domestic abuse
- understanding of prevalence and definitions of domestic abuse
- identify the spectrum of domestic abuse and its impact on on the child
- identify and link appropriate support/intervention services
- risk assessments and processes including the child risk indicator matrix
- understanding information sharing responsibilities and storing of shared information.

### **Who is the course for?**

This training is targeted at one or two senior professionals (child protection lead) within a school.

### **How long does the training take?**

This is a 1 day course which can be accessed as such. It is recommended you complete the OSCB online Domestic Abuse Awareness course prior to attending this course.

### **How much does the course cost?**

This course is free however there will be charges for late cancellations and/or failure(s) to attend.

Cancellations within less than 10 working days notice of the course date may incur a charge of £50. All cancellations must be acknowledged by the training providers for notification to be accepted.

Only in exceptional circumstances (as determined by the training providers) will charges be waived. Cancellations relating to sickness would have to be verified by Line Managers. Notifications of cancellations are only valid when within agreed timescales and acknowledged by the Training Providers.

## **When and where is this course running?**

This course will be delivered in a number of Oxfordshire Districts between April 2010 and March 2011.

The only available course for 2010 is on the 20<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at Banbury School

## **How do I book onto this course?**

For more information or to book a place on this course either contact Michelle Plaisted Kerr, visit to [www.reducingtherisk.org.uk](http://www.reducingtherisk.org.uk) or [click here](#) to access a booking form.

### **c) Risk Assessment Training - DASH ( Domestic Abuse, Stalking & Harrassmet, Honor Based Violence)**

The focus of this training is to enable and support front line practitioners to undertake risk assessments on victims of domestic abuse and in particular to identify and signpost victims at high risk.

**Aim:** To raise awareness of the Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Harrasment and Honour Based Violence (DASH) risk assessment tool and referral to the Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC).

**Objectives:** By the end of the course participants will be aware of:

- DASH risk assessment tool and how to undertake a risk assessment
- MARAC process and referral
- understanding information sharing responsibilities
- links to their organisation designated MARAC officer

## **Who is the course for?**

For frontline professionals working within and/or new to the Domestic Abuse sector and/or those who could be working with clients affected by Domestic Abuse whether children/young people and/or parents/carers.

## **How long does the training take?**

This is a 1/2 day course which can be accessed as such. It is recommended you complete either the Domestic Abuse Awareness course or the Domestic Abuse Champions course prior to attending this course.

## **How much does the course cost?**

This course is free however there will be charges for late cancellations and/or failure(s) to attend.

Cancellations within less than 10 working days notice of the course date may incur a charge of £50. All cancellations must be acknowledged by the training providers for notification to be accepted.

Only in exceptional circumstances (as determined by the training providers) will charges be waived. Cancellations relating to sickness would have to be verified by Line Managers. Notification of cancellations are only valid when within agreed timescales and acknowledged by the Training Providers.

### **When and where is this course running?**

This course will be delivered throughout Oxfordshire Districts during April 2010-March 2011.

22<sup>nd</sup> October - South Oxfordshire District Council Office  
18<sup>th</sup> November – West Oxfordshire District Council Office  
1<sup>st</sup> December – Cherwell District Council Office - Bodicote house

### **How do I book onto this course?**

For more information or to book a place on this course either contact Michelle Plaisted Kerr, visit to [www.reducingtherisk.org.uk](http://www.reducingtherisk.org.uk) or [click here](#) to access a booking form.

## **d) Honour Based Violence training**

The focus of the training is to raise awareness of Honour Based Violence (HBV), including Forced Marriage (FM) and how to respond effectively

**Aim:** To equip participants with the knowledge and understanding of the dynamics of HBV and equip them with the skills to support client's effectively.

### **Objectives:**

- To understand what HBV is
- Prevalence of HBV
- Understand the concept of 'honour'
- To identify types of abuses associated with HBV and ways 'honour' can be destroyed
- To examine the consequences of HBV
- To identify potential indicators
- Risk assessment and management
- To identify appropriate ways to support and keep individuals safe

### **Who is the training for?**

For front line professionals working within and/or new to the Domestic Abuse sector, and/or those who could be working with clients affected by HBV whether children/young people and/or parents/carers.

### **How long does the training take?**

It is a one day training course

### **How much does the training cost?**

The training is free, however any cancellations without prior notification may incur an administration charge of £20.

### **When and where is the training running?**

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2010 – Town Hall, Oxford  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2011 – Town Hall, Oxford

### **How do I book onto this training?**

For more information or to book onto the training please contact Liz Jones,  
[ejones@oxford.gov.uk](mailto:ejones@oxford.gov.uk)

## **3. Bespoke domestic abuse training**

Training packages to meet the needs of practitioner/teams around a range of issues related to domestic abuse, including s 2 hour introduction to HBV. This will be designed to meet the requirements of specific agencies or staff roles

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