

ManKind  
Initiative



# Men are victims too

Training, information and presentations to help you support **male victims of domestic abuse**

If you are a police force, local authority, GP consortia, housing association or third sector/ voluntary organisation wishing to create a service or enhance how you already support male victims of domestic abuse, the ManKind Initiative charity is committed to providing the support you need. By adopting a partnership approach, the charity will ensure your individual needs are prioritised and resolved.

With **one in six men** likely to suffer domestic abuse in their lifetime and **one in every three victims being male**, organisations and practitioners working with domestic abuse victims are realising there is a growing need to ensure men and their children receive the support they need in their local community.

This also includes the need for statutory authorities to comply and meet the duties and requirements of the Equality Act 2010 especially the Public Sector Equality Duty with regard to supporting male victims and their children.

## One Day Training Course

We have a one-day domestic abuse training course solely on supporting male victims and was developed by:

- Lori Busch IDVA who has over 15 years experience in supporting male victims (including running the charity's helpline), and,
- Mark Brooks MCIPR, a public policy, marketing and communications specialist.

The course can be delivered onsite, thereby reducing your costs, and as many people as practicable can be trained at the same time. The cost is the same.

### The course covers the following modules:

- **Module 1:** Introduction, statistics and trends
- **Module 2:** Types of domestic and partner abuse against men
- **Module 3:** Male victims: lived experiences and barriers
- **Module 4:** How they can escape
- **Module 5:** How support services should respond
- **Module 6:** Creating male victim friendly services, policies and communications
- **Module 7:** The signs of male domestic abuse and what you can do (optional – for non practitioners)

Modules 5 and 6 include setting up helplines, drop-ins and refuge/safe houses.

The training also includes videos and if possible, we can arrange a survivor to attend.

Currently, the course is going through the CPD approval process and we fully support the National Institute of Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) Domestic Violence and Abuse Quality Standard (QS116): Quality Standard

## Presentations and Conference Speaking

The charity also gives presentations and speaks at domestic abuse conferences or in one-off sessions for professionals.

We also have ambassadors (domestic abuse survivors) who can speak to front-line staff or at conferences about their experiences as a victim. Our most high profile ambassador, Ian McNicholl, for instance, speaks at conferences and meetings on a regular basis.



### Organisations we have trained and/or given presentations to include:

The Home Office • Hertfordshire Police • Manchester Police • Leicestershire City Council • Sevenoaks Council • Bristol Women's Aid • Men's Direct Access (Manchester) • ARCH (North Staffordshire) • Manchester Action for the Blind • Loughborough Women's Aid • Through Care Housing • Next Steps Housing • Caldmore Housing • Kent Police College • Lincolnshire Police • Belmarsh Prison • Somerset NHS • Thames Valley University • Tamworth Council • HM Prison Pentonville • Canterbury Police • South Kensington & Chelsea Mental Health Centre • Financial Conduct Authority • Public Policy Exchange • University of Central Lancashire • Teesside University • National Men's Psychology Conference • SSAFA, the Armed Forces Charity • National Citizen's Service • National Youth Council • Croydon Independent Girls' School • Lincolnshire County Council • Suffolk County Council • Unison • Liverpool Domestic Violence Conference • Rotherham Domestic Violence Conference • Harris Academy Greenwich • Southern Domestic Abuse Service • GovKnow • Oxford University

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**You can make a difference to men suffering from domestic abuse**

## About the ManKind Initiative

The Mankind Initiative is a national charity which has supported male victims of domestic abuse for over 15 years. It runs a national helpline receiving in excess of 1,000 calls per year, provides information and support to charities and statutory bodies seeking to support male victims. The charity also undertakes awareness campaigns to ensure men and their children get access to the help they need.