

OXFORDSHIRE DOMESTIC ABUSE REFERRAL PATHWAY



Domestic abuse is “Any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive or threatening behaviour, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are or have been intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality. This can encompass, but is not limited to, the following types of abuse: psychological, physical, sexual, financial, and emotional. This also includes so-called ‘honour based’ abuse (HBA), forced marriage and female genital mutilation (FGM)”

- If there is no disclosure but you suspect otherwise, periodically ‘ask the question’
- If an Honour Based Abuse (HBA) or Forced Marriage (FM) case, share information on a strictly needs to know basis. Take active steps to ensure records are kept secure, confidential and where possible, restricted
- If a FGM case, refer to your local safeguarding procedures <http://www.oscb.org.uk/themes-tools/fgm/>
- If there is any immediate danger call **999** immediately

