

Honour Based Abuse and the Effect on Children

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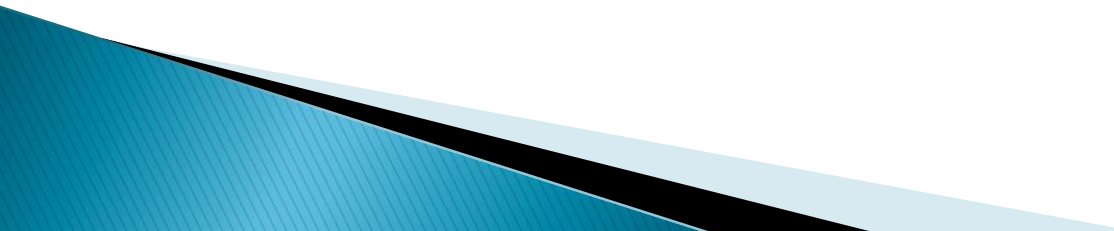
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What is Domestic Abuse

- 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;
 - Emotional
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▶ **HONOUR BASED ABUSE**

A crime or incident, which has or may have been committed to protect or defend the honour of the family and/or community.

▶ **FORCED MARRIAGE**

Forced Marriage is a marriage conducted without the valid consent of one or both parties where duress is a factor.

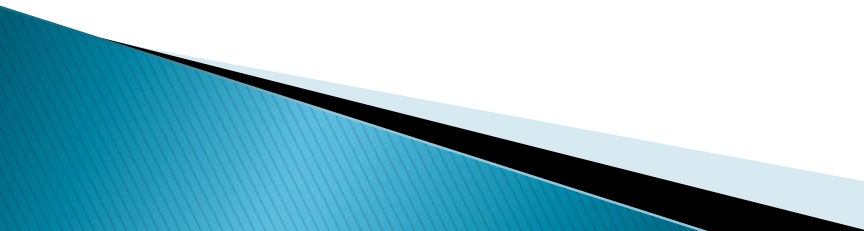
Coercive and Controlling behaviour

- ▶ **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.
- ▶ **Controlling behaviour:** a range of acts 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.

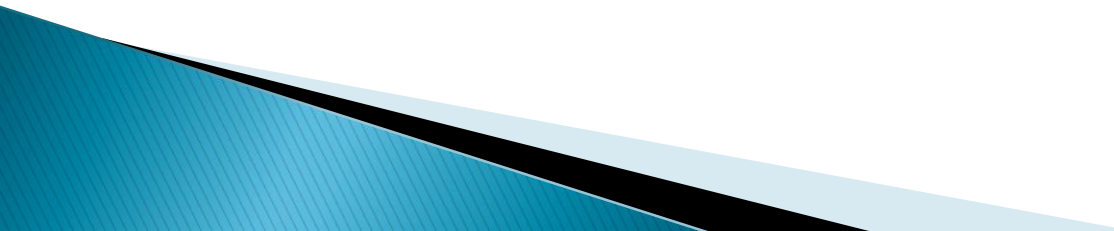
What is Honour (or Izzat)?

- ▶ A learned complex set of rules that a woman/man has to follow in order to protect the family 'name' and maintain the family honour.
- ▶ It has more impact on the woman's life than the man's – It affects how she dresses and behaves and who she can talk to.
- ▶ Two thirds (69%) of young Asians agree that families should live according to the concept of 'honour', or 'izzat' *(ComRes, BBC Panorama 2012)*

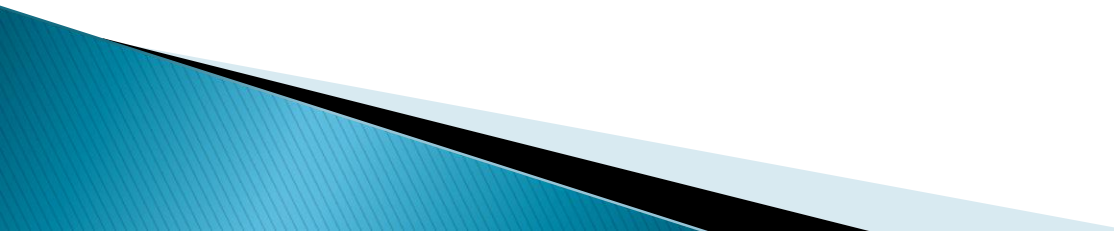
How is Honour destroyed?

- ▶ Defying family / culture / community.
 - ▶ Becoming too 'Westernised'
 - ▶ Women having sexual relationships before marriage (or perceived to be).
 - ▶ Drugs / alcohol / cigarettes.
 - ▶ Gossip or rumour.
 - ▶ Wanting to drive, have a mobile phone, wear makeup, have a job.
 - ▶ Divorce.
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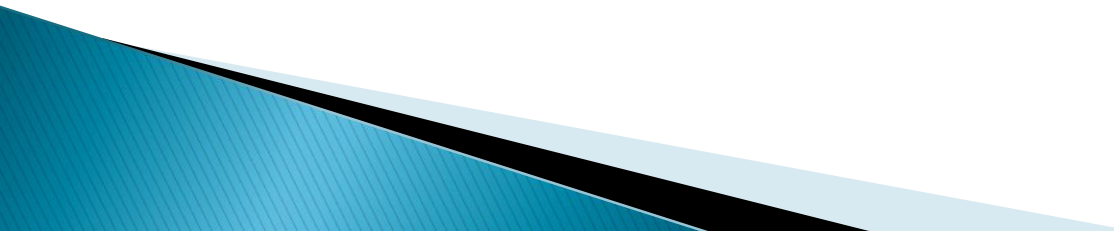
Group Discussions

- ▶ Who is/are the primary victim(s) in a DA/HBV/FM situation?
 - ▶ Who is normally the primary perpetrator?
 - ▶ What are the effects on children/families?
 - ▶ How does DA/HBV/FM manifest in the family situation?
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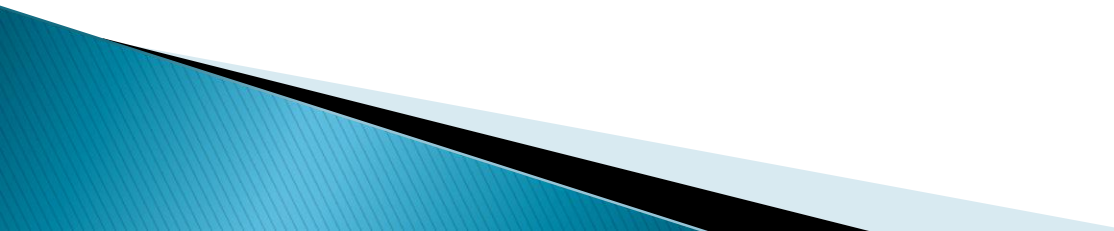
Group discussion

- ▶ Feedback on small groups
 - ▶ What are the similarities between the manifestation and effects of DA & HBA
 - ▶ What are the differences?
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Group discussion

- ▶ What would be your key considerations?
 - ▶ What would be your intervention options?
 - ▶ Who would you involve?
 - ▶ What would you record?
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Safety planning

- ▶ One Chance Rule
 - ▶ Do not mediate with the family or community
 - ▶ Confidentiality of the young person
 - ▶ Keep the person safe
 - ▶ What do they think will keep them safe?
 - ▶ Legal options
 - ▶ Forced Marriage Protection Orders
 - ▶ Forced Marriage Criminal Offences
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Information recording and sharing

- Confidentiality
- What is relevant?
- Key points
 - What was said
 - What did you do
 - Where did you record it
 - Information Security
- Who has it been shared with
- Consent v no consent
- Risk levels
- MARAC (Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference)

Your Organisation

- ▶ What can your organisation do?
 - ▶ Keep it simple for staff
 - Keep the person safe
 - Believe them
 - Seek advice
 - Don't pass information to family/friends or colleagues
 - ▶ Have accessible champion / specialist(s)
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