

Calderdale Domestic Abuse Hub

The shared objective of Calderdale Domestic Abuse Hub is for all partners to intervene early, engage with the victim soon after the incident, and to prevent escalation or repeats.

Any queries can be made via the Hub contact number – 01422-337176.

Process

The Calderdale Domestic Abuse Hub Meeting is held on a daily basis between Monday-Friday. Police are responsible for checking domestic abuse incidents reported within the previous 24 hours. All incidents assessed as medium risk where a crime has occurred or high risk are then reviewed and the information is placed onto the 'Domestic Abuse Information Form'

Once the referrals are completed, Police submit the referrals to all partners for them to review and respond with their information.

- 9am – All referrals are submitted to partners.
- 10am – All responses are submitted by partners and added to the referral forms.
- 10:30am – Daily Hub meeting takes place at Richmond Close Police Station when all relevant partners attend to discuss the referrals and actions to record
- Once discussed, the minutes will be distributed on the same day of the meeting, showing what discussions were made and any subsequent actions.

What does this mean for MARAC Referrals?

The MARAC is merging with the Domestic Abuse Hub. All MARAC referrals sent after Wednesday 15th June 2016 will be discussed in the daily Domestic Abuse HUB meeting. All referrals for MARAC should be sent using the referral form attached. Once completed, they need to be emailed with the subject heading 'MARAC REFERRAL' to

cd.safeguardingdomesticabusehub@westyorkshire.pnn.police.uk .

Once received, a member of the Domestic Abuse Hub will contact the referring person/partner and arrange a convenient date for the case to be discussed. If the person submitting the referral is not able to attend, they are invited to discuss the case with their HUB lead so that the HUB lead can present the case on their behalf. MARAC referred cases will be discussed as soon as possible, ideally within a few days of being received. Please note that consent should be sought where possible but if consent is not given for MARAC referrals information can be shared in the interests of public safety.

DASH Risk Assessment

The purpose of the DASH risk checklist is to give a consistent and simple tool for practitioners who work with adult victims of domestic abuse in order to help them identify those who are at high risk of harm and whose cases should be referred to a MARAC/HUB meeting in order to manage their risk. The form is attached and a fuller version with guidance can also be accessed [here](#).

What if it does not meet the threshold for the Hub Meeting?

You can contact Calderdale Staying Safe (Specialist Domestic Abuse Support Service) on (01422) 323339 for advice and support. Further information on local and national support services for those experiencing domestic abuse can be found [here](#).

Multi-agency and bespoke training for front line professionals will be available from October 2016 and details will be publicised via the Calderdale Children Safeguarding Board website.