

Hampshire Achieves Prevent update September 2023

Safeguarding our learners and yourself from harm/abuse is important. Remember we are here to support any concerns whether a learner, peer or you are at risk.

Please report any concerns, suspicions, or disclosures to the Safeguarding team via this dedicated email or my phoning or emailing the DSLs. <u>HAsafeguarding@hants.gov.uk</u>

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What is Prevent?

Prevent is the name given to a national strategy which aims to stop people from becoming extremists, being radicalised or supporting terrorism. Prevent aims to deal with all forms of extremism including extreme right/left wing, racist extremism, animal rights extremism, religious extremism and mixed ideologies.

All staff and volunteers have a duty to;

- attend Safeguarding and Prevent Duty Training as identified or provided by their institution, See HCC Learning Zone
- uphold the values embedded within the Equality Act 2010 and embed these values into their practice
- use any relevant opportunities to promote these values
- report any safeguarding and/or Prevent concerns to the named staff responsible in their organisation.

Learners need to be able to understand and articulate what Prevent is, the risks and threats, including local threats.

Prevent – Local Threat

- Extreme Right-Wing Terrorism; Hants and IOW received the highest percentage (24%) of all ERW referrals during 2022. Just under half of the referrals (47%) were for those aged 20 and younger.
- Use of the internet linked to terrorism/extremism, continues to be a key theme across the South East, in 2022 19% of Hants and IOW cases had an online, gaming or media as the primary tool for radicalising.
- There was a 38% decrease in Islamist Prevent referrals, however, for Hants and IOW the numbers remained consistent at 5% of all referrals.

Current threat level for England is **substantial**, which means an attack is likely.

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Keeping Children Safe in Education: new guidance has been published, all staff and volunteers **must** read Part one. Keeping children safe in education - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

The information below has been provided by Department for Education Prevent Coordinator for South-East

The full newsletter can be found in the link below.

<u>Prevent Newsletter South East September 23 (education.gov.uk)</u> You will find additional resources and information on our VLE <u>Hampshire PALL: All</u> <u>courses (participationandlifelonglearning.co.uk)</u>

New: Prevent Duty Guidance

The Prevent Duty was published on 7th September 2023 and although the updated guidance places no new legal requirements or additional responsibilities on education settings, there are changes that the education sector should be aware of.

The updated guidance won't come into effect until 31st December 2023 at the earliest.

Prevent duty guidance: England and Wales (2023) - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)

Below is a link to briefing notes that provide more detail on specific changes and how they relate Further Education and Skills. They also cover some frequently asked questions.

Further Education and Skills: <u>Prevent Duty Guidance - Further education and</u> skills final (educateagainsthate.com)

New: Prevent videos

These new short animations can be embedded in training, communications and any other scenario where you need to quickly explain the purpose of Prevent to an audience. One is designed for anyone with a Prevent duty, the other is specific to education settings.

Public Sector Staff: <u>Prevent duty animation - public sector staff working together to</u> <u>stop radicalisation - YouTube</u>

Education's Role: <u>The Prevent duty: the role of education in safeguarding learners</u> <u>from radicalisation - YouTube</u>

Training opportunities for Tutors

Online/Gaming

The links below for each session will give you a choice of dates. The dates are:

Thursday 12th October Wednesday 15th November

Each session has a limit of 1000 so do invite as many staff as you like! Links below, times are the same for each session for each day:

Induction / Refresher - 9-10am Intro to Incels - 10:30 - 11:30am Online Platforms and Extremist Content - 1:30 - 2:30pm Gaming and Extremism - 3 - 4pm Support for providers **Prevent Planning for FE skills** - below are free webinar session held each quarter aimed at briefing new providers, those that are less confident in their arrangements or just wish to ensure that they remain compliant with the Prevent Duty.

- Tuesday 18th October 2023 10.30am to 12 noon <u>A free webinar event for FE Skills providers subject to the Prevent Duty Tickets, Wed 18 Oct 2023 at 10:30 | Eventbrite</u>
- Tuesday 16th January 2024 10.30am to 12 noon <u>A free webinar event for</u> FE Skills to help to embed the Prevent Duty Tickets, Tue 16 Jan 2024 at 10:30 | Eventbrite

Educate against Hate: Embedding British Values and Prevent into lessons

Educate Against Hate have launched their <u>new and improved calendar</u> ready for the 2023/24 academic year. The calendar looks at the year ahead and highlights key awareness days and months, important anniversaries, and other opportunities to conduct conversations with your students around extremism and radicalisation. Each date has a list of relevant resources, tools and practical advice to support you in engaging with your students and building their resilience to extremism. The calendar is available as a webpage, a printable PDF and as an iCalendar so you can add the dates to your own diary

A message from Counter Terrorism Policing Southeast (CTPSE) Vulnerability to radicalisation (V2R)

We need to widen our gaze to consider V2R alongside awareness of other safeguarding risks such as domestic abuse, child sexual exploitation (CSE) or female genital mutilation (FGM) so we can spot the signs. The list below (not exhaustive) covers just some of the potential indicators -

- Isolation
- Marginalisation
- Identity confusion
- Trauma
- Rejected by family or faith, & social group
- Grievance

• New network of online friends

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- Personal crisis
- Exposure to extreme views
- Shift in religious or political views
- Dangerous online activity
- Blaming others

If someone is vulnerable to radicalisation, they are unlikely to tell anyone or to reach out for support. Without help, they might go on to do themselves or society harm.

If you identify a V2R risk indicator in an individual's life, we need you to record those concerns and make a Prevent referral.

This enables professionals to intervene at an early stage and offer bespoke support to the individual. The earlier the intervention, the greater the chance of their being diverted away from the path that could lead to terrorism.

For more information, please visit Act Early - <u>https://actearly.uk/</u>