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Resources for MARAC meetings

DASH RIC- Dash risk checklist_quick start guidance (safelives.org.uk)

What is a MARAC?

A MARAC is a regular local meeting to discuss how to help victims at high risk of murder or serious harm. Domestic abuse specialist services, police, children's social services, health, education and other relevant agencies all sit around the same table. They talk about the victim, the family and perpetrator, and share information. The meeting is confidential.

What happens at a MARAC?

Relevant and proportionate information is shared about the current risks to the victim by each representative.

An action plan is created to address the risks and increase the safety and wellbeing of all those at risk.

4 Aims of MARAC

1. Safeguard victims of domestic abuse.
2. Manage perpetrators' behaviour
3. Safeguard professionals
4. Make links with all other safeguarding processes.

Representatives in WL

Police Scotland
Domestic and Sexual Assault Team
West Lothians Women's Aid
Children & Families Social Work
Adult Social Work
Justice Services
Community Addiction Services
Health
Education
Housing.

DASH RIC

(Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Harassment and 'Honour'-based violence Risk Indicator Checklist)
DASH RIC is a tool for practitioners who work with adult victims of domestic abuse.

It helps to identify those who are at high risk of harm and whose cases should be referred to a MARAC in order to manage their risk.

MARAC Criteria

Any agency can refer to MARAC if the victim meets the below criteria
1. Professional judgement
2. Visible High Risk: 14 or above on the SafeLives-DASH Risk Identification Checklist (RIC).
3. Potential Escalation: 3 or more police calls within 12 months.
4. Repeat Referral.

WL MARAC Referral form

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