

## 1. What is Prevent?

Prevent is 1 of the 4 elements of CONTEST, the UK government's counter-terrorism strategy and aims to stop people from becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism. Our Prevent work also extends to supporting the rehabilitation and disengagement of those already involved in terrorism.

The objectives of Prevent are:

- tackling the ideological causes of terrorism
- intervening early to support people susceptible to radicalisation
- enabling people who have already engaged in terrorism to disengage and rehabilitate

## 2. Who Is Prevent For

Prevent initiatives tackle both the causes and risk factors that can lead someone to become radicalised. It directly supports those who are at risk through early intervention, is resourced to risk and addresses all forms of terrorism and extremism. Prevent works in a similar way to other safeguarding processes designed to protect individuals whereby the level of intervention increases with the level of risk.

Under the Prevent Duty all public sector agencies have a responsibility to ensure their staff, service providers and volunteers have a good understanding of the risk, are trained to recognise radicalisation and associated behaviours and how to report concerns.

## 3. Radicalisation & Extremism

Radicalisation - If someone is becoming radicalised it means they are displaying extreme views in support of extreme ideologies or beliefs, terrorist groups and activities.

Extremism is the promotion or advancement of an ideology based on violence, hatred or intolerance, that aims to:

1. negate or destroy the fundamental rights and freedoms of others; or
2. undermine, overturn or replace the UK's system of liberal parliamentary democracy and democratic rights; or
3. intentionally create a permissive environment for others to achieve the results in 1 or 2.

## 4. What should you do if you have a concern?

### NOTICE -CHECK -SHARE

If you notice a change in an individual that concerns you, in that they may be vulnerable to radicalisation, follow your organisation's policy/ Prevent & Channel referral process.

Check your concern with a manager or designated safeguarding lead.

Share the concern with the police by completing the Prevent referral form.

## 7. Halton Prevent Delivery Group - What do we do?

The Prevent Delivery Group are a multi-agency group including the Police, Local authorities, Education establishments, Health and other public sector agencies to co-ordinate Prevent delivery across Halton. We also work closely with the Liverpool City Council Prevent Team who provide support across the Liverpool City Region.

Prevent delivery includes:

- Training & Awareness
- Advice and Guidance
- Voluntary, community, civil society and faith group engagement
  - Communications
  - Targeted support
- Prevent duty responsibilities

### Training

Prevent Awareness training is mandatory for HBC employees. To complete your training please log on the training portal and go to your required learning lists.

### Useful Links

[www.actearly.uk/](http://www.actearly.uk/)

[www.gov.uk/guidance/prevent-duty-training](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/prevent-duty-training)

[www.gov.uk/guidance/making-a-referral-to-prevent](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/making-a-referral-to-prevent)

[www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance](http://www.gov.uk/government/publications/prevent-duty-guidance)

[www3.halton.gov.uk/Pages/health/prevent.aspx](http://www3.halton.gov.uk/Pages/health/prevent.aspx)

Act Early Support Line - **0800 011 3764** / Anti-Terrorism Hotline - **0800 789 321**

Remember, in an emergency dial **999**

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## 6. Behaviours & Vulnerabilities

Behaviours	Vulnerabilities
Absent	Being at a transitional time of life
Changes in mood	Susceptibility to indoctrination
Secretive behaviour	A need to dominate & control others
Fixated on new ideas	A desire for excitement & adventure
Change of language	A desire for status
Outbursts of anger	A need for identity, meaning & belonging
Social Withdrawal	Feeling under threat
New found confidence	Feelings of grievance & Injustice

## 5. Referrals should be sent to:

To - [prevent@merseyside.police.uk](mailto:prevent@merseyside.police.uk)

Cc - [contactandreferralteam@halton.gov.uk](mailto:contactandreferralteam@halton.gov.uk)  
(For referrals under 18 only)

### What Happens with the referral?

Referrals are screened for suitability through a preliminary assessment by the police. If suitable for multi-agency consideration, it is passed to the local authority Channel.

## What is Channel?

Channel is an voluntary, multi-agency process designed to safeguard susceptible people from being drawn into violent extremism or terrorist behaviour. Channel is chaired by the local authority and works with multi-agency partners to collectively assess the risk to an individual, decide whether an intervention is necessary and develop an appropriate support package for each referral.