

# Prevent

### What is Prevent?

Prevent safeguards people at risk of radicalisation in a similar way to safeguarding processes designed to protect people from gangs, drug abuse, and physical and sexual abuse.

The <u>Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015</u> contains a duty on specified authorities to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism. This is also known as the Prevent duty.

### Staff training

To assist implementation of the duty, a Prevent e-learning training package is now available. This is introductory training. It provides a foundation on which to develop further knowledge around the risks of radicalisation and the roles involved in supporting those at 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.

## Spotting the signs and sharing a concern

Radicalisation can happen to anyone, online or face to face. Everyone is different and there is no checklist that can tell us if someone is being radicalised or becoming involved in terrorism.

Visit <u>Trust Your Instincts and Report | Action</u> <u>Counters Terrorism</u> to find out more about the signs that someone may be vulnerable to radicalisation.

If you notice a change in an individual, that concerns you, follow your organisation's Prevent policy.

Ask for advice as soon as possible. You may be asked to create a referral to the Prevent programme.

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#### **Useful links**

<u>Prevent duty guidance: England and Wales (2023) - GOV.UK</u> Lancashire Safeguarding Partnership - Toolkits

