

COURSE CONTENT OVERVIEW

FGM, Forced Marriage and So-Called Honour-Based Abuse Awareness



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This FGM, Forced Marriage, and So-Called Honour-Based Abuse Awareness course has been designed to give learners an understanding of the causes and triggers of so-called honour-based abuse, forced marriage, and FGM.

This course will be appropriate for frontline workers like police, health and social care, and education sector workers and anyone else looking to gain a cultural understanding of these abuses and gain knowledge of basic safeguarding and legal duties.

Module One: Introduction

The first module in this course introduces learners to 'violence against women and girls' a category of gender-based violence that so-called honour based abuse, FGM, and forced marriage fall into. This will introduce learners to the issues of gender-based abuse that happen globally and discuss the United Nations initiative to end violence against women and girls. The topics are:

- Introduction
- Course aims
- Violence against women and girls

Module Two: Forced Marriage

In this module, you'll learn the difference between a forced marriage and an arranged marriage. You'll learn about the immense social pressure that victims are under by their families and communities, and you'll learn the essential dos and don'ts that can prevent someone from being forced into a marriage. The topics are:

- What is forced marriage?
- What are the warning signs?
- One chance rule
- Forced Marriage Unit
- Forced marriage legislation
- Forced Marriage Protection Order
- Statistics
- Support

Module Three: So-Called Honour-Based Abuse

In this module, you'll discover the difference between so-called honour-based abuse and domestic abuse. You'll also find out why victims could fear speaking out, the laws surrounding so-called honour -based abuse and you'll learn about the tragic case of Heshu Yones. The topics are:

- What is so-called honour-based abuse?
- Risk factors and prevalence
- How to help
- Barriers to disclosure
- SCHBA and the law
- Statistics
- Heshu Yones
- Support

Module Four: Female Genital Mutilation

In this module, you'll be introduced to FGM. You'll discover why it happens, who practices it and what the different types of mutilation there are. You'll also find out what the warning signals are that indicate that someone could be at risk as well as learning at what time of life women and girls are most at risk. You'll also learn about your legal duties to report known cases of FGM and how to help someone who is at risk. The full list of topics are:

- What is FGM?
- Categories of FGM
- Who practices FGM?
- Why does FGM happen?
- Where is FGM common?
- Warning signals
- FGM legislation
- Helping someone at risk
- Alimatu's story

Aims of the training

By the end of this course, you will know:

- What violence against women and girls is, and specifically what FGM, so-called honour-based abuse, and forced marriage are.
- Best practice for handling so-called honour-based abuse, FGM, and forced marriage.
- The attitudes that prevent these practices from being abolished.
- The potential warning signals that indicate FGM or so-called honour-based abuse could be about to occur.
- The legislation surrounding FGM, forced marriages and so-called honour-based abuse.
- What support is in place for victims or potential victims as well as frontline workers.