

Ending domestic abuse

Marac Confidentiality Statement

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The chair of the meeting reminds all concerned of the principles within the Marac Information Sharing Protocol (ISP)

Information discussed by the agency representatives, within the ambit of this meeting, is strictly confidential and must not be disclosed to third parties who have not signed up to the Marac ISP, without the agreement of the partners of the meeting. It should focus on domestic abuse and child protection concerns and a clear distinction should be made between fact and professional opinion.

All agencies should ensure that all minutes and related documentation are retained in a confidential and appropriately restricted manner. These minutes will aim to reflect that all individuals who are discussed at these meetings should be treated fairly, with respect and without improper discrimination. All work undertaken at the meetings will be informed by a commitment to equal opportunities and effective practice issues in relation to age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex, and sexual orientation.

The purpose of the meeting is as follows:

- To share information to increase the safety, health and well-being of victims adults and their children:
- To determine whether the perpetrator poses a significant risk to any particular individual or to the general community;
- To construct jointly and implement a risk management plan that provides professional support to all those at risk and that reduces the risk of harm;
- To reduce repeat victimisation;
- To improve agency accountability; and
- Improve support for staff involved in high risk domestic abuse cases.
- The responsibility to take appropriate actions rests with individual agencies; it is not transferred to the Marac. The role of the Marac is to facilitate, monitor and evaluate effective information sharing to enable appropriate actions to be taken to increase public safety.

By signing this document we agree to abide to these principles.

Marac Confidentiality Statement Continued (Attendees)

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Agency	Name of Representative	Signature	Email