

Reflective Prompts for Effective MARAC Action Planning

This resource has been developed to support high-quality, consistent action planning during MARAC meetings. It sits alongside the MARAC Action Planning Guidance, and is designed to strengthen Principle 6 of the 10 Principles of an Effective MARAC.

Its purpose is to improve the quality of MARAC actions so that outcomes for victim-survivors, children and other vulnerable adults can become safer sooner.

This resource is designed to be used live during the MARAC meeting, at the point when actions are being agreed. It can be applied at the end of each case before moving on to the next.

This is not a form or 'checklist' to complete. It is a live MARAC meeting reflective prompt to support consistent actions that are focused, effective, and grounded in best practice.

Principle 6

Multi-agency action plans address the risk to the victim-survivor, safeguard children and adults at risk, and manage perpetrator behaviour.



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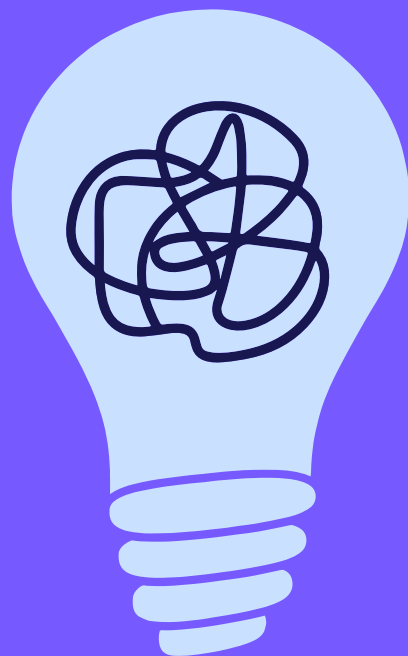


Are all the actions SMART?

- **Specific** – Is the action clearly defined, and does it address the risk?
 - **Measurable** – How will it be completed? What are the criteria to assess the success of the action?
 - **Achievable** – Can this action be done and completed in time with the capacity of the agency responsible?
 - **Relevant** – Is the action related to the identified risk?
 - **Time-bound** – What is the deadline for completion?
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Do all identified risks have a linked action?

- Yes?
- No? – Try to fill the gaps



Do actions?

- Protect adult (and child) victims-survivors?
 - Address the behaviour of the perpetrator?
 - Protect agency staff?
 - Make links with other public protection arrangements in relation to children, perpetrators and vulnerable adults?
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Are actions business-as-usual or MARAC specific?

- Business-as-usual (should already have been completed outside MARAC)?
- MARAC added value (creative or coordinated multi-agency action)?



Could any actions increase risk (service-generated risk)?

- No?
 - Yes - How will this be mitigated?
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Do actions reflect the victim-survivors' voice?

- Yes?
 - No? – Do we need to adjust in line with their priorities/safety?
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Have protected characteristics or inequality factors been considered?

- Yes?
- No? – Do we need to adjust any actions?

Are the agencies responsible for actions present at the MARAC meeting?

- Yes?
- No? - Action must be reallocated to a present agency or removed from the action plan.

Actions must not be allocated to an agency unless they are in attendance at the MARAC meeting.

Are there any joint actions?

- No?
- Yes - Have the agencies responsible confirmed communication arrangements outside of the MARAC meeting for jointly completing the action?

