

Domestic Abuse

DLC receives information from the police, alerting our Designated Safeguarding Lead when there has been an incident of domestic abuse in a household where a DLC student lives.

We are not informed of the detail of the incident, only that it has occurred. This allows us to monitor and to support the student(s) concerned.

If we have additional concerns we will discuss the need for further safeguarding actions with Social Care. This information would only be shared with other staff on a restricted need-to-know basis.

Where a multi-agency risk assessment conference (MARAC) occurs, the school may be asked for information and appropriate school-related information may be shared with the school after the meeting.

Domestic abuse can affect anyone and takes many forms

We are here to help:

- 24 hour National Domestic Abuse Helpline - **0808 2000 247**
- Dorset County - You First - **0800 032 5204** (24 hours)
- Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Outreach - **01202 710 777** (24 hours)
- Women's Aid - email - helpline@womensaid.org.uk
- Online chat room - chat.womensaid.org.uk, 10am-12pm Monday to Friday
- Respect helpline - **0808 802 4040**
- For anyone worried that they may be harming someone else
- Galop - **0800 999 5428**
- Domestic violence advice for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender
- Dorset Police - In an emergency call **999**
- In a non-emergency email **101@dorset.pnn.police.uk** or call **101**
- For additional help and advice go to www.dorset.police.uk/abuse-help

Who can help me?
We can

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Dorset Police