



RADICALISATION and PREVENT POLICY

The Prevent duty is the duty in the Counter-Terrorism and Security Act 2015 on specified authorities, in the exercise of their functions, to have due regard to the need to prevent people from being drawn into terrorism and is about safeguarding people and communities from the threat of terrorism.

Prevent helps to acknowledge and address the causes of someone who may be vulnerable to radicalisation using existing community schemes before they commit any crime

Radicalisation is the name given to the process that moves a person to legitimise their support or use of violence.

The process of radicalisation feeds on emotions and can take place when people are feeling vulnerable.

A person vulnerable to radicalisation may show changes in their normal behaviour such as:

- Becoming disrespectful
- Sign of stress
- Scripted speech
- Becoming detached or withdrawn
- Isolation from friends
- Absenteeism
- Asking inappropriate questions
- Quick to anger
- Unhealthy use of internet
- Crying
- Closed to discussion
- Crying
- Unhealthy use of internet

Concerns arising under the prevent policy are safeguarding issues and is part of our daily work. Each case is as unique as the person it relates to. It may be the case that IH Belfast staff might be the first to notice if one of our students is potentially at risk.

Our response to any concerns has to be proportionate and dependent on context. Responses for support rely on the right people being involved at the right time.

There is a 3 step process to follow:



Notice – have you noticed any cause for concern or are concerned for someone who may be vulnerable?

Check – talk to a colleague and articulate what gave you cause for concern.

Share – who can best help put that concern into context? Who is best qualified to take the concerns forward?

Concerns should be communicated to:

Designated Safeguarding Lead	Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead
Paul McMullan paul@ihbelfast.com 0044 (0) 2890 330700	Duanes Santos dsantos@ihbelfast.com 0044 (0) 2890 330700
Your DSL / DDSL will be able to find the right person to provide support when required.	

Also refer to CHANNEL

Channel is part of the Prevent strategy. The process is a multi-agency approach to identify and provide support to individuals who are at risk of being drawn into terrorism.

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