

DA MARRAC/EVVP/IOM PANELS

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What is DA MARAC?

- A Domestic Abuse Multi-Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC) is a multi-agency harm and homicide reduction model
- It is a meeting for professionals where information is shared on the highest risk domestic abuse cases (where there is risk of serious harm or homicide)
- It exists to ensure survivor centric, risk led care and support for the highest risk domestic abuse cases
- Professionals should refer to Brent DA MARAC where there is believed to be significant domestic abuse related risk

Brent DA MARAC does **not** hold cases – supporting professionals retain responsibility to act protectively to safeguard individuals





What happens at DA MARAC?

- Agencies in attendance are requested to research the people listed on the referrals in advance of the meeting
- This information is shared within the meeting, confidentially
- The agencies discuss options for increasing the safety of the victim and turn these into a co-ordinated action plan
- The primary focus of the MARAC is to safeguard the adult victim
- At the heart of a MARAC is the assumption that no single agency or individual can see the complete picture of the life of a victim – but all may have insights that are crucial to their safety
- The victim does not attend the meeting but is represented by an IDVA who speaks on their behalf
- In Brent, DA MARAC runs fortnightly



Children in Brent





Where does DA MARAC fit in?

Multi-Agency Forums / Panels in Brent

Domestic Abuse MARAC

 For victims of highrisk domestic abuse, at risk of serious harm or homicide

Community MARAC

 For victims or perpetrators of antisocial behaviour, victims of hate crime, or at risk of fire, fraud, or homelessness

Exploitation, Violence and Vulnerability Panel (EVVP)

 For victims or perpetrators, at risk of exploitation, engaging with violent behaviour, or on the periphery or involved in gangs

Integrated Offender Management (IOM)

 For high crime offenders engaging in violent behaviour and violent crime





The role of the Exploitation, Vulnerability and Violence Panel (EVVP)

The London Borough of Brent and key partners coordinate a multi-agency panel to share key information to identify, recognise, disrupt and protect young people and adults from extra-familiar risk and harm. This includes Modern Slavery, child trafficking, child criminal exploitation and county lines, child sexual exploitation, and anyone affected by gangs and violence.

The Exploitation, Violence and Vulnerability Panel (EVVP):

- Provides operational support and challenge to lead professionals to safety plan
- Oversees the Violence and Vulnerability Programme (VVP) cohort.
- Provides strategic oversight of all exploitation cases, information, intelligence and activity across each LA area and across BCU boundaries.
- ➤ Reports to the Contextual Strategic Safeguarding Group (CSSG) every six weeks.

Due to the wide scope, commitment to Transitional Safeguarding and remit of EVVP, there are two routes for referrals (see diagram). Referrals for under 18s and care experienced children are considered at Pre-EVVP to quality assure practice and share information across key agencies.

The EVVP supports:

- Children and young people who are identified as high risk of contextual harm.
- Young adults and adults at high risk of offending and reoffending, and those who have been identified as victims of Modern Slavery and exploited through County Lines.





Referral Process

Lead professional makes referral to **EVVP**

Referal accepted or case reviewed for over 18 Cohort or further information requested. Police checks conducted and information shared at point of referral.

Referral considered in Pre-EVVP by CYP, Police and Community Safety

Threshold met: Lead professional attends EVVP

Threshold not met: Case direction provided





Brent Integrated Offender Management (IOM)

- A scheme that brings a multiple-agency response to crime and re-offending threats faced by residents in the borough.
- IOM is endorsed by the Ministry of Justice and Prison / Probation Service as a key effective model to reduce crime and reoffending.
- IOM is a focussed and coordinated multi-agency partnership approach that identifies, oversees, supervises, manages and positively impacts the criminal activity of the most persistent offenders who also pose a significant risk of violent offending.
- Brent IOM works within The London Mayor's Office for Policing and Crime (MOPAC) Managing Persistent, Violent Offenders Operating Framework. This Operating Framework has been developed in consultation with key partner agencies.

How the partnership works

- Monthly Panel meetings to discuss management of cases
 The IOM scheme is made up of a four-colour cohort system (Red, Amber, Green and Blue). This is known as the 'BRAG system.
- Joint Home visits undertaken
- All partners tackling offenders together by working together and sharing information to reduce re-offending
- Delivering a local response to local problems
- Offenders facing their responsibility or facing the consequences
- Making better use of existing programmes and governance
- The goal is to achieve long-term desistance from crime





Contact Details

- Domestic Abuse MARAC inbox: domesticabuse.marac@brent.gov.uk
- To make a referral for EVVP, please complete the online referral form here – EVVP Referral Form
- To make a referral for IOM, please complete the online referral form here -IOM Referral Form