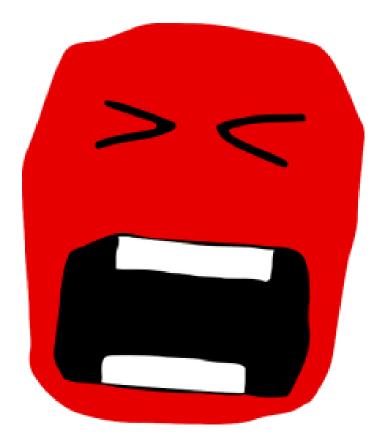
Domestic Abuse



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Domestic Abuse is when you are hurt or threatened to be hurt by any one of these:



Someone in your family

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A partner



A carer



Someone who lives in your home

The hurt or abuse maybe in one or more different ways. This may include:



<u>Physical</u>

- Hitting
- Kicking
- Pinching

• Bullying

Mental or psychological



- Make you feel small
- Saying they will hurt you
- Calling you bad names
- Follow you places
- Stop you seeing friends or family
- Stop you seeing the doctors



<u>Sexual</u>

- Touching when you say 'no'
- Making you be intimate



<u>Financial</u>

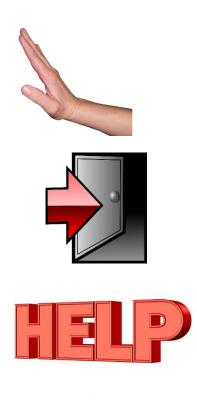
- Take your money
- Don't allow you money



<u>Neglect</u>

- Not allowing you food or water
- Stopping you from having heating or medication

What should I do if I think abuse is happening to me?



- Ask them to stop
- If you feel very scared, go to a safe place
- Call for help (police, trusted friend, neighbour)
- Speak to a helpline



Make a note about the incidents or events

Here are some contacts that you may find useful:



Police

0808 200 0247 www.nationaldomesticviolencehelpline.org.uk National Domestic **Violence Helpline**

Refuge



women's aid until women & children are safe

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0800 408 1552

helpline@womensaid.org.uk www.womensaid.org.uk

Women's Aid



www.talk2someone.org.uk/





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Crimestoppers

Victim Support