The Chrysalis Centre

Perspectives on Domestic Abuse 27th November 2025

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Local Context in Domestic Abuse

ONS 2020: Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire were among 28 Police Forces whose DA related violence offences made up 41% of all violence against the person offences, slightly higher than the national average.

Demographics: Hard to reach groups, multi-cultural, areas of deprivation-Herts

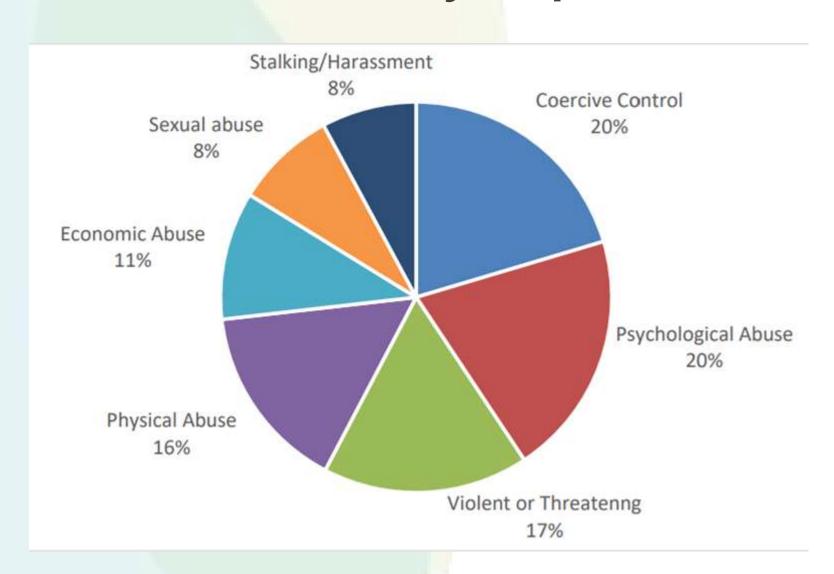
Central Bedfordshire: 'A patchwork of Provision' (2021) highlighted that many residents relied on Police for access to support indicating a lack of other routes or visibility of routes.





Domestic Abuse is Multi-faceted

Central Beds Survey respondents 2023

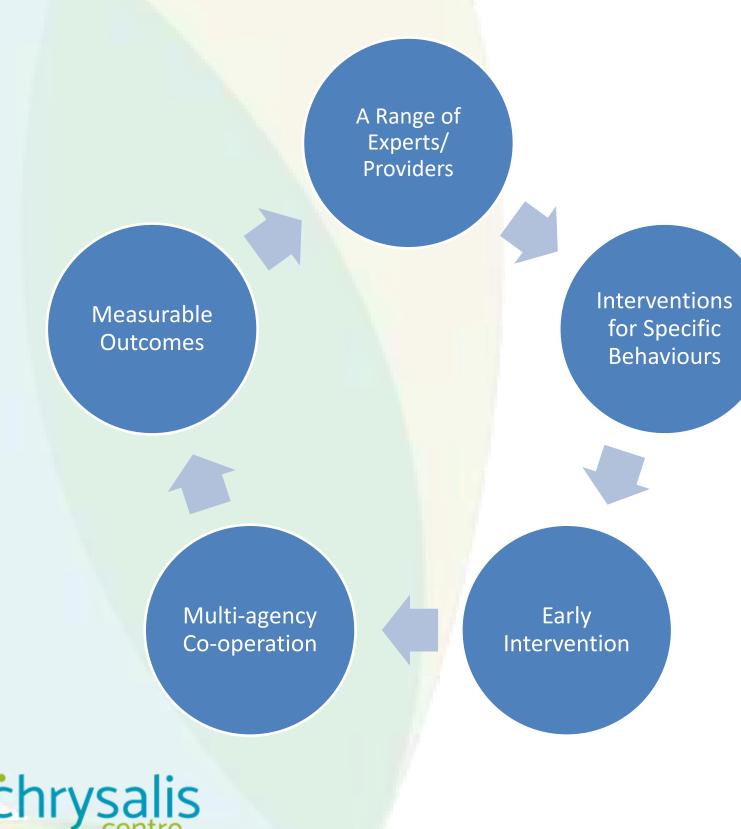


- A one-size fits all approach does not work
- Within different types of Domestic Abuse are different 'typologies'
- Individuals may present with more than one abusive behaviour, and have other needs/complex needs
- How do we as professionals and support agencies address this?





What would an Ideal Model Include?



- Client and Stakeholder Feedback loops
- Bespoke to Client needs e.g. Neurodiversity, substance use
- Trauma-Informed
- Integrated Victim Services
- Working with local and national strategies and legislation
- A highly visible service
- Ability to self-refer for support in addition to professional referral pathway
- Expert triage of cases
- Timely triage and availability of interventions
- Empathy and compassion

The Chrysalis Centre Pathways

Programmes we provide:

- Adult Intimate Partner DA Perpetrator Behavioural Change Programme (DAPP) and integrated partner support. Red Snapper Managed Services.
- Specialised Support programme for those couples who are pregnant where there is DA present. For Baby's Sake.
- Child on parent violence support programme from age 9-17 for both child and parent (CAPVA). Adult Child on Parent Violence Programme (aged 18+) APVA. RISE Mutual/TTC (Therapeutic Service).
- Coming soon: Specialist Intervention Service which addresses Stalking behaviours. The Change Project

Additional signposting or supported referrals:

• Employability, Housing, Mental Health, Substance Misuse





The Chrysalis Centre: DA Best Practice

- Started in August 2023-Over 1300 referrals
- Measurable outcomes; Curzon; £2.3-£3.9m fiscal savings PA, £24-£33m social savings PA
- Fully funded free service
- Strong multi-agency approach e.g. MARAC boards/attendance
- All risk levels accepted
- Consent-based programmes-recognising the need to change
- Safeguarding checks and Integrated DA victim support
- Case Study





Referrals and Questions

Our website and Referral

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