

THREE PART DIGITAL MASTERCLASS

Coercive Control & Domestic Abuse

A practice guide to understanding perpetrator tactics, intentions & victim responses to reduce risk & improve safety for victims

Module One:

Monday 3rd Aug 2020
3:00pm - 6:00pm

Module Two:

Monday 10th Aug 2020
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Module Three:

Tuesday 25th Aug 2020
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Masterclass Facilitator



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"Not only is coercive control the most common context in which [women] are abused, it is also the most dangerous."

- Professor Evan Stark, Author of Coercive Control

What will you take away?

- Deepen your understanding of coercive control - What it is and how to identify it
- Use psychology and the human behaviour model to understand how abusive dynamics are created
- Enhance your ability to identify and understand perpetrator intentions, tactics and patterns
- Understand what underpins manifested behaviours of victims
- Identify professional collusion and perpetration of abuse in our own practices
- Apply theory to practice - Gain the knowledge and tools to inform a way forward to create change

If you or someone you know is impacted by family violence call the Men's Referral Service on 1300 766 491 or 1800RESPECT on 1800 737 732. In an emergency, call 000



Enhancing practice responses to victims & perpetrators of coercive control

Coercive control is often described by family violence victims as the worst part of abuse. Patterns of controlling behaviour and psychological abuse are known predictors or precursors of domestic homicide. While Australia has not criminalised coercive control, the responses from practitioners to victims and men who use violence are critical in breaking the cycle and protecting the safety of victims.

The **Coercive Control and Domestic Abuse Masterclass** will give you deeper insight to the insidious presentations, acceptances and impacts of domestic abuse. Delivered digitally over three modules, this Masterclass will engage you to consider the experience of primary and secondary victims, but also the evolution of our collective cultures and how we interpret human behaviour. We will also examine how interpretation affects our practices and understanding of a victims reality.

This Masterclass will give you the answers to understand the complexities of domestic abuse and the tools to make informed decisions as a practitioner that validate victims' experiences, enhance their safety and reduce risk.

What will you gain from attending this Masterclass?

- A **framework of human behaviour** to help **identify abusive dynamics**
- A brief **psychology of how an abusive dynamic is created**
- Understanding a **perpetrator's intention**
- **Identifying professional collusion** and perpetration of abuse in our own practices
- **Ability to identify coercive control** and **look at risk differently**
- Opportunity to **apply theory to practice**

Who will attend?

Representatives of the Community, Government, Police & Justice sectors with responsibility for:

- Family/Domestic Violence
- Violence Prevention
- Women's Services
- Mental Health
- Men's Behaviour Change
- Drug and Alcohol
- Children/Child Protection

What can I expect from a virtual Masterclass?

Even though we are going virtual don't worry - you won't miss out on any of the benefits of a face to face event! Here's what you can expect.

- **Highly interactive learning** - Designed to give you all the same interactive and hands-on learning experiences you normally would, you won't be a passive observer in this Masterclass. Get involved through small group breakout sessions, Q&A, and activities
- **Networking opportunities** - You'll get the chance to collaborate and problem-solve with a new network of like-minded practitioners and professionals working in the context of family and domestic violence
- **Easy to use digital resources** - Walk away with a suite of resources and quick reference guides for you and your team to use

Meet your facilitator



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Clare Walker is a Domestic Abuse Consultant with a unique 360-degree insight to domestic abuse. Having lived in it, worked in it, developed services and practices in it, for over 25-years. Clare has been working the Freedom Programme since 2003 and is one of the three licensed trainers. The Freedom Programme is an educational tool for examining the roles played by attitudes and beliefs on the actions of abusive men and the responses of victims and survivors. Clare has been training professionals & lecturing at various Universities since 2006.

In 2011 she successfully set up her own company; Clare Walker Consultancy. Under this banner, Clare's work across the UK (and overseas) is vast, varied and diverse, working with organisations on workforce interventions and policy development, impacts & effects on children, coercive control, links between domestic abuse and global terrorism, guest speaker at conference events, as well as representing victims as an Expert Witness in various different Court arenas. As a part of this area of work specific to the Family Courts, Clare is a member of the Brunel University's international research hub on addressing the damning use of Parental Alienation. Clare is a trained Domestic Homicide Review Chair and was proud to receive the 2017 Award from the Crown Prosecution Service & Her Majesty's Court & Tribunal Service for Services to Victims and Witnesses.

Recently Clare has featured and been interviewed on BBC TV and Radio News Channels, quoted in the Observer, presented to St Ives Chambers webinar and spoke at the House of Lords; on coercive control, domestic abuse and what needs to change.

What past attendees have said about Clare:

"Very informative and enjoyable. Clare was brilliant, so knowledgeable to do with everything about DA. Would highly recommend the training"

"Clare's presentation was professional, knowledgeable, engaging and honest. A great way of providing awareness of the issue. I enjoyed it and realised how much more there is to understand the topic fully."

Module 1: The Groundwork

Monday 3rd Aug 2020

This module explains the prevalence of gender-based abuse and highlights why it is an overlooked perpetual global pandemic. By drawing on the human behaviour model, this module will examine perpetrator intentions, the social constructs that reinforce those intentions and behaviours, and why we victim blame.

3:00 Welcome & opening remarks

- Meet your facilitator and your fellow participants

Domestic abuse in the global context

- Unpacking statistics and patterns of domestic abuse globally
- Examining the role and effect of protective legislation
- Understanding societal reinforcements that uphold abuse
- Are we actually capturing the reality in our recording systems?

Using the human behaviour model to understand violence & abuse

- How can we use the human behaviour model to understand perpetrators' use of violence?
- Who are perpetrators? Unpacking traits and personas
- How can we use the human behaviour model to understand victims' experience of abuse?
- Who are victims?
- How we can use these tools to identify perpetrators and victims in a non-stereotype context

Inside the mind of a perpetrator

- What are the perpetrators' motivations and intentions?
- How can we identify a perpetrators' belief?

GROUP ACTIVITY

In small groups, participants will discuss their own beliefs and interpretation of societal reinforcements.

Inside the mind of the victim

- What are the instinctive responses?
- What are the physiological responses?
- What is the victim's 'participation' in the abuse?

6:00 Closing remarks & close of Module 1

Module 2: Understanding Coercive Control

Monday 10th Aug 2020

This module focuses specifically on enhancing and deepening your understanding of what coercive control is and how it informs our understanding and practice in the context of domestic abuse. Drawing on what we already know and looking at it again through the lens of coercive control enhances our practice based responses. This deeper understanding supports best practice to engage victims and society, and to potentially prevent further death and abuse.

3:00 Opening remarks

IN CONVERSATION Reflection on Module 1

- Key learnings and/or questions so far

Coercive control

- Defining coercive control
- Where does it come from?
- Identifying coercive control - What should you be looking for?
- What is our collective anxiety about accepting its prevalence?

Challenges in practice & prosecution

- How do our core beliefs impact on successful evidence gathering and prosecution?
- How do our systems impact on a victim of coercive control?
- What role does unconscious bias play in our assessments and practice?
- What needs to change in evidencing processes?

GROUP ACTIVITY

In small groups, participants will consider and discuss how we can apply our understanding of coercive control to improve responses to victims. Consider what changes you can make in your own practice as well as changes that are needed at a system level.

6:00 Closing remarks & close of Module 2

Module 3: Bringing it all together

Tuesday 25th Aug 2020

In this module we bring together the learnings from the previous two modules and put them into practice through a case study examination. The bulk of this module will be group work, presentations of findings, discussions around what changes are needed in our own practices and society as a whole.

3:00 Opening remarks

IN CONVERSATION Reflection on Module 1 & 2

- Key learnings and/or questions

Case Study: Overview of Hannah Clarke case

- This case will be used to examine and understand coercive control in practice

What does best practice look like?

- Drawing correlations between behaviour, impacts and interpretation
- Enhancing effective interagency responses - What different actions can agencies take?
- Looking at the role of legislation - Does it help?

Challenges in practice and prosecution

- Can you identify potential core beliefs of Hannah, her family, friends or agencies based on the information we have?
- Can you identify where or how systems failed Hannah and her family?
- Can you identify, or get a sense of any unconscious bias
- How can we change outcomes in evidencing terms for families like Hannah's?
- What are the barriers to reporting and how can we change our 'bystander culture'?

ACTIVITY: GROUP BASED PRESENTATION

You will work together in small groups, using the case study explored earlier to answer and present back on the following:

- What were the missed opportunities?
- Identify coercive control in the case study
- What behaviours and responses demonstrate that?
- If you had worked with Hannah what interventions would you have used?
- How can you apply that to your current practices?
- How would you present your case without legislation?

6:00 Closing remarks & close of Masterclass

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