# Interventions to prevent children and young people from becoming victims or perpetrators of domestic abuse in later life: scoping study 11/3008

## Research Question(s)

Which interventions help prevent unselected children from becoming victims or perpetrators of domestic abuse in later life?

The Public Health Research programme would like to commission research to investigate activities and initiatives targeted at children and young people with the aim of preventing them from becoming victims or perpetrators of domestic abuse in later life.

Initially the programme is commissioning a scoping study (the subject of this call for proposals) to provide recommendations for future prospective research. Applicants may wish to submit proposals for studies concerned with either victims or perpetrators or both together. It is envisaged that this scoping study will include (but not necessarily be limited to):

- Evidence synthesis of research evaluating the effectiveness of activities/initiatives aimed at preventing children and young people from becoming victims or perpetrators of domestic abuse in later life. (Examples may include; assertiveness training, drama or other art-based work, human rights education, anti-bullying programmes, uses of social media, media campaigns etc.)
- Costs of possible interventions and an assessment of cost-effectiveness data where available.
- Work to identify front-running interventions for further research, exploring the acceptability of interventions to both potential intervention funders and target population(s), and identify potential issues in future research.
- Advice on the forms of future research including:
  - Potential types of interventions
  - · Potential comparators
  - Duration of intervention(s)
  - Whether particular population group(s) should be targeted
  - Possible intermediate health related outcome measures
  - Effect on health inequalities (particularly between genders)

Proposals should incorporate a mechanism for public involvement.

#### **Background to commissioning brief:**

Domestic abuse refers to physical, psychological, sexual or financial violence that takes place within an intimate or family-type relationship and forms a pattern of coercive and controlling behaviour.

Research is required with the aim of preventing domestic abuse in the future by the use of interventions aimed at unselected children and young people, the desired outcome being that when they become adults they do not become victims or perpetrators of domestic abuse.

## **Notes to Applicants**

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