



Prevent and British Values Strategy

TDM have a duty to safeguard our learners and all people we work with. This strategy needs to be read in conjunction with our safeguarding policy and our equal opportunities policy.

Prevent is about safeguarding our learners from being drawn into terrorism; to keep them both safe and within the law.

According to Ofsted, 'fundamental British values' are:

- democracy
- the rule of law
- individual liberty
- mutual respect for and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs and for those without faith.

TDM staff have a duty that learners and employers are aware of PREVENT and British Values.

Prevent

The Prevent Duty is not about preventing learners from having political and religious views and concerns but about supporting them to use those concerns or act on them in non-extremist ways.

Working across the West Midlands, TDM is cognisant of the different demographic populations that we work with, from inner city high conurbation to rural countryside. Ensuring that staff do not stereotype and are trained in equality, diversity, and inclusion and how this will impact on the Prevent duty.

TDM is committed to training its staff regarding the Prevent duty:

- Staff can access the below link resources link to support them to adopt the preventduty:

<http://www.preventforfeandtraining.org.uk/>

- TDM staff need also attend training and awareness raising events from the different funding partners we work with. This will be communicated to the staff member as and when training is available.
- All staff need to undertake and awareness online course at :

http://course.ncalt.com/Channel_General_Awareness/01/index.html

- **There is further detailed online training if required;**

https://www.elearning.prevent.homeoffice.gov.uk/channel_awareness/0-welcome.html#

After training is completed staff need to send their certificate to the Quality & compliance Manager and the data of training completion dates will be stored securely, with TDM cloud-based services & reviewed on a bi-yearly basis for update training.

CHANNEL is a key element of the Prevent strategy. Channel provides support to individuals who are vulnerable to being drawn into any form of terrorism. Their aim is to divert that person from their path of radicalisation before they become involved in any terrorist-related criminal activity.

The Channel process assesses referrals, and when necessary brings together a number of partner agencies, to discuss the concerns raised and organise a bespoke safeguarding support package for the vulnerable individual.

What is terrorism, extremism and radicalisation?

The Channel process is managed by the local authority, in conjunction with the police, on behalf of the Home Office. The current UK definition of terrorism is given in the Terrorism Act 2000. This defines terrorism as an action that endangers or causes serious violence to a person/people; causes serious damage to property; or seriously interferes or disrupts an electronic system. The use or threat must be designed to influence the government or to intimidate the public and is made for the purpose of advancing a political, religious or ideological cause.

Extremism is the vocal or active opposition to fundamental British values, including democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and mutual respect and tolerance of different faiths and beliefs. This also includes calls for the death of members of our armed forces, whether in this country or overseas.

Radicalisation is the process by which a person comes to support terrorism and forms of extremism leading to terrorism.

What makes a person vulnerable to radicalisation?

There is no single profile of a person likely to become involved in extremism, and the process of radicalisation is different for every individual. Radicalisers use normal social processes such as loyalty, self-perception, and fear of exclusion to influence their targets; it is not simply people with low intelligence or from deprived backgrounds who are susceptible as it is often tempting to assume.

Why is it important to act early?

When we think of terrorism, we may think of mass stabbings and bombs going off. However, this is only the result of terrorism, resulting from months or years of recruitment, radicalisation and advance planning. These hidden early aspects of terrorism can and do happen anywhere.

What are the indicators of vulnerability to radicalisation?

Safeguarding children and young people from radicalisation are no different from safeguarding them from other forms of harm. TDM encourage staff to trust their judgement and use their existing professional knowledge.

Indicators for vulnerability to radicalisation are: family tensions, sense of isolation, migration and distance from cultural heritage, experience of racism or discrimination, feeling of failure etc. Those in the process of being radicalised may become involved with a new group of friends, search for answers to questions about identity, faith and belonging, possess violent extremist literature or advocate violence actions, change their behaviour and language, seek to recruit others to an extremist ideology.

It is vital to note that children and young people experiencing these situations or displaying these behaviours are not necessarily showing signs of being radicalised. There could be many other reasons for the behaviour including those you are already familiar with – alcohol or drug abuse, family break down, domestic abuse, bullying etc or even something more minor.

TDM staff can refer to the safeguarding policy for the procedures on how to report an issue if there is reason for concern. In addition, staff can follow the link <https://west-midlands.police.uk/node/752> to obtain targeted advice.

External Speakers and Events

As a work-based learning provider, TDM apprentices only attend TDM premises or have online learning for awarding body knowledge modules, Knowledge focus days, workshops and exams. Therefore, TDM do not hold events on our premises or through TDM online platforms with external speakers that apprentices are invited too.

Apprentices and their employer will be made aware of Prevent at contract at sign-up, expanded upon at orientation and at the review stages of the apprenticeship programme.

British Values

The government set out its definition of British values in the 2011 Prevent Strategy. This definition has five parts:

- Democracy.
- The rule of law.
- Individual liberty.
- Mutual respect.
- Tolerance of those of different faiths and beliefs.

All schools in Britain have a duty to promote British Values and ensure young people leave school prepared for life in modern Britain.

TDM have a duty to 'actively promote' to all their learners the fundamental British values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty, and mutual respect and tolerance of those with different faiths and beliefs.

These values were first set out by the government in the Prevent strategy in 2011 and make clear that we must actively promote the fundamental British values set out above and that we must actively promote the specified principles, including furthering tolerance and harmony between different cultural traditions and encouraging respect for democracy.

Embedding British values

TDM want to be effective in embedding fundamental British values; actively promoting, according to the guidance,

This could also mean challenging learners, staff or employers expressing opinions contrary to these British values. For example, this includes girls who are disadvantaged on the grounds of their gender, or where

prejudice against those of other faiths is encouraged or not adequately challenged.

The government guidance makes it clear that extremism should not form part of the curriculum or teaching, and that learners are encouraged to respect other people and no learner is discriminated against contrary to the Equality Act 2010.

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