Lincolnshire DASH Flowchart V2 2023

1. Domestic Abuse Concern or Disclosure

If Q8 is a YES Complete a SDASH*

2a. Report the concern or disclosure to your appropriate DA or Safeguarding Lead, so they can complete a DASH Risk Assessment Form*

2b. Complete a DASH Risk Assessment Form*

Consider if you need to refer to Children's Social Care or Adult Social Care, Mental Health Services or the Samaritans.

3. Assess the Risk:
a. Use your Professional Judgement from what you have written on the DASH.
b. Assess the Escalation of abuse from the information you have gathered.
c. Assess the visible risk of abuse i.e. number of yes answers on the DASH.

4. What level have you accessed the Risk at:
Standard – Current evidence does not indicate likelihood of causing serious harm.
Medium – There are identifiable indicators of risk of serious harm. The offender has the potential to cause serious harm but is unlikely to do so unless there is a change in circumstances, for example, failure to take medication, loss of accommodation, relationship breakdown, drug or alcohol misuse.
High – There are identifiable indicators of risk of serious harm. The potential event could happen at any time and the impact would be serious.
Risk of serious harm (Home Office 2002 and OASys 2006):'a risk which is life threatening and/or traumatic, and from which recovery, whether physical or psychological, can be expected to be difficult or impossible'

a. High Risk

Ring the Police on 999 for support

Refer to the Lincolnshire MARAC Process MAP* Or the MARAC Operating Protocol*

As well as following steps 5 -7.

b. Standard or Medium Risk

5. Offer Safety planning advice, as in the Multi Agency Domestic Abuse Joint Protocol*. Look at what other support can be offered to the client and anyone else highlighted on the DASH as at risk.

6. Are there any other agencies you can work with to offer the client support as in step 5?

7. Offer the client support from LDASS via yourself. Tel: 01522 510041 Email: info@ldass.org.uk
Web: www.ldass.org.uk
Offer a leaflet if it is safe to do so, OR allow them to use your IT to make contact if not safe.

8. Store the DASH as part of your client information. And if you feel it is appropriate and will aid the client's safety and reduce their risk, share your DASH with other agencies **

*Link to all documents mentioned in this Flowchart
www.domesticabuselincolnshire.com

**A system is currently being looked into for the storing of all non-high-risk DASH's, so amendments to this flowchart will be due later