

Information for patients and carers

Reporting Domestic Violence

The Safeguarding Team

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Domestic abuse can affect anybody.

It can affect people in different types of relationships.



If you are experiencing abuse, it is important to tell someone.



What is domestic abuse?

Domestic abuse is when your partner, family member or carer hurts you or makes you feel scared in your home.



There are different types of domestic abuse:

- Physical
- Emotional
- Sexual
- Financial
- Controlling behaviour



If you are in hospital, you can tell a member of staff if you are experiencing abuse.



They will work with you to keep you safe.



It is important to tell the right people so you can get extra support.



The safeguarding team will visit you on the ward.



Our domestic abuse adviser will visit you on the ward.



Our domestic abuse adviser will provide advice on safety planning.



Our domestic abuse adviser could support you make a report to Police.



Our domestic abuse adviser can support you to access correct support services in the community.



Our domestic abuse adviser can support you to access safe accommodation



Our domestic abuse adviser can provide advice on court process.



To speak to our domestic abuse adviser - you can telephone:

01772 523676



Email:

Safeguarding.Duty@lthtr.nhs.uk

Or write to:



**Independent Domestic Abuse
Adviser
Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS
Foundation Trust
Royal Preston Hospital
1st Floor Gordon Hesling Building
Sharoe Green Lane
Preston
PR2 9HT**



If you tell someone, you can get help to make it stop.

You have a right to feel safe in your home.

Contact details

Should you require further advice or information please contact:

Sham Hussain-Domestic Abuse Adviser **01772 523676**

Sources of further information

www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk

www.nhs.uk

www.accessable.co.uk

www.patient.co.uk

<https://lancashirevictimservices.org>

All our patient information leaflets are available on our website for patients to access and download:

www.lancsteachinghospitals.nhs.uk/patient-information-leaflets

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