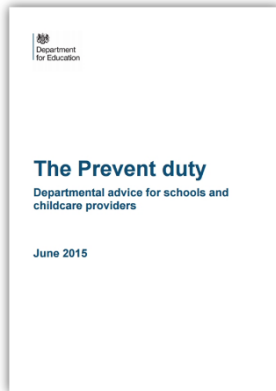


Link School Safeguarding Update

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THE PREVENT DUTY



What is Prevent?

- Part of the government's Counter Terrorism Strategy (CONTEST)
- Designed to stop people becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism
- Will work by trying to identify people who are being or at risk of being radicalized into any form of extremism
- It's about prevention, not criminalising people
- It's about protecting, often vulnerable people, from harm
- It's a multi-agency safeguarding approach
- It deals with extremist ideologies and protects institutions

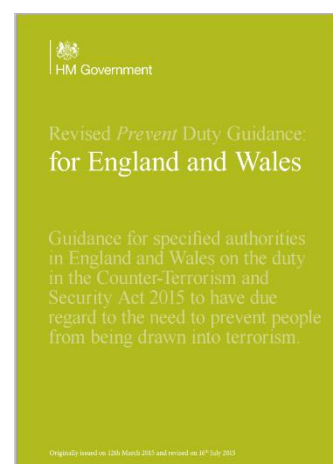
Prevent Duty Guidance for Schools

- It's a legal requirement (1st July 2015)
- Applies to **all** schools
- Promotion of 'Fundamental British Values' within the curriculum
- All staff have a duty to prevent children from being drawn into violent and non-violent extremism
- All schools must complete a Risk Assessment
- It's very clear this is a safeguarding matter – follow normal safeguarding procedures
- It will be an area of scrutiny for OFSTED.

Does this affect us here in the North East? YES!

Recent Headlines from the North East:

- Loner student planned murderous rampage at Newcastle college with pipe bombs, gun and CS gas 25/9/15
- "North East children as young as 12 referred to Channel anti-extremism scheme" 18/8/15
- "More than 100 North East children at risk of radicalisation, new figures reveal" 16/7/15
- "Newcastle Quayside brought to a standstill as neo-Nazis invade the city" 22/3/15
- "Newcastle Pegida: Racist stickers found in pub and supermarket toilets across region" 18/2/15
- "Whitley Bay and Seaton Delaval searches: Boys on explosives charges" 9/12/14
- "Anti-terror operation launched after suspected explosives found at Newcastle University" 17/6/14
- "Father and son held in Burnopfield racist terror raid" 4/6/2009



What to do if you're worried

- You can also contact the local police force or dial 101 (the non-emergency number). They can talk to you in confidence about your concerns and help you gain access to support and advice.
- The Department for Education has dedicated a telephone helpline (020 7340 7264) to enable staff and governors to raise concerns relating to extremism directly.
- Confidential Anti-Terrorist Hotline on 0800 789 321.
- Concerns can also be raised by email to counter.extremism@education.gsi.gov.uk. Please note that the helpline is not intended for use in emergency situations, such as a child being at immediate risk of harm or a security incident, in which case the normal emergency procedures should be followed.

The Confidential Anti-Terrorist Hotline

If you suspect it, report it.

To report something you've seen or heard which could be connected to terrorism, contact the Confidential Anti-Terrorist

Hotline on 0800 789 321.

In the case of an emergency, or an immediate threat, always call 999.