

Prevent Kent and Medway

Training and support for education settings



Overview

The **Prevent Duty** is about safeguarding individuals and communities from the threat of terrorism, it is one of the four stands of the Government's Counter Terrorism Strategy **CONTEST**.

All education settings and childcare providers are required to, "Have due regard to the need to **prevent** people from being drawn into terrorism."

Prevent covers all forms of terrorism and extremism, including Extreme Right Wing Terrorism, Islamist Terrorism, and other emerging risks. It is about everyone taking responsibility and knowing what to do if they have concerns.

Safeguarding

Protecting children and young people from the risk of radicalisation, is an integral part of **Keeping Children Safe in Education**. It is important that all staff and governors know how to protect them from this threat. Prevent is no different to any other aspect of safeguarding such as protecting children and young people from harms such as drugs, gangs, neglect, and sexual exploitation. Understanding, how to embed the Prevent Duty as part of your wider approach to safeguarding and across the curriculum will help you to protect your students from the risks of radicalisation, violent extremism, becoming terrorists or supporting terrorism.

The Prevent team in Kent and Medway offer a range of free proactive and reactive services including, training, support and resources to education settings across the county to help you safeguard your students from **radicalisation and violent extremism**.

Education

Our Prevent Education Offer includes:

- A range of training for all staff and governors designed to meet the local and setting risk context, plus advanced training for those with additional responsibilities for Prevent
- Tailored support and responses to student concerns or referrals
- Advice around local incidents and concerns
- Guidance on policy and procedures including the **DfE risk-assessment templates** for early years, schools and further education providers and the Kent and Medway **Counter Terrorism Local Profile**
- Signposting of curriculum materials and resources for all key stages
- Pupil engagement sessions and workshops
- Parent engagement workshops

Details of our training and workshops are outlined in this document. To make training bookings or access **free** support, advice and resources contact:

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Prevent Training and Support for Education Settings

Training FAQs

Our training offer is designed to build on the [Free Online \(Official\) Prevent Duty Training](#) from the Home Office to reflect the local and national risks and issues, as well as is tailored to the setting and audience.

As a minimum, we recommend that all staff and governors should undertake Prevent training at least every two years. However, training should reflect emerging local or national risks, it may need to be updated more frequently to reflect changing circumstances and local issues. Settings should also take account of staff turnover so that new staff, supply staff and trainee teachers fully understand their responsibilities under the Prevent Duty.

We advise that further training on the Prevent Duty and associated risks and issues is made available to the settings Strategic Prevent Lead, Designated Safeguarding Leads and other relevant staff where appropriate.

- All Kent and Medway Prevent training is **free of charge** to education settings.
- Training delivery can be in person, online or hybrid. Please note that minimum numbers may apply for in person delivery.
- Prevent safeguarding awareness and the local context is the starting point for the wider staff training offer and a prerequisite prior to booking and delivery of any of our other training.
- Specialist workshops for children and young people and parents/carers are prioritised based on a number of criteria including, local (district) incidents and risk profile, setting Prevent referrals or ongoing concerns, as well as delivery capacity.

Staff Training Offer

Prevent Safeguarding Awareness and the Local Context (1.5 hours)

A session for all staff and governors that is designed to:

- Build understanding of the Prevent Strategy and your role within it.
- Develop your existing expertise and professional judgement to recognise individuals who may be vulnerable or susceptible to radicalisation.
- Provide a clear picture of the risks and threats nationally, regionally in Kent and Medway, and locally within your district.
- Highlight emerging issues that could increase vulnerability for your pupils and school community.

Advanced Prevent, including Case Studies, Referrals and Channel Panel (1.5 hours)

A workshop to ensure that Headteachers, Senior Leaders, DSLs and Prevent Leads have:

- A clear understanding of how to develop a whole-school approach to the Prevent duty to safeguard pupils and meet Ofsted requirements.
- Statutory Prevent requirements within school policy and practice.
- How to evaluate concerns relating to radicalisation and how, when, and who to share information with and make a Prevent referral.
- How the Prevent referral process and Channel Panel in Kent and Medway works.
- Case studies to build on existing safeguarding processes and develop an understanding of modern extremist narratives, risk and issues.

Staff Training Offer Continued

Extremist use of online gaming and radicalisation (1 hour)

A session for staff/settings that have previously undertaken **Prevent**, safeguarding awareness and the local context training. The session is designed to

- Increase your knowledge of children and young peoples online gaming and viewing habits.
- Develop an understanding of online gaming spaces, gaming terminology and online culture.
- Understand how extremists use video games, gaming platforms and technology to lure and radicalise young people.
- Learn about how extremists have gamified violence and terrorism.

Extreme Misogyny, Gender Stereotyping, Influencers, Incels, and the Manosphere (1.5 - 2 hours)

A session for staff/settings that have previously undertaken **Prevent**, safeguarding awareness and the local context training. The session is designed to:

- Think about the impact of gender stereotyping and misogyny within our society, and how this shapes the issues around extreme misogyny.
- Understanding the online and offline issues and risk.
- Exploring violent misogyny, the Manosphere and the Incel movement.
- An optional 30 minute task-based session can be added on to this session to explore a script writing task for dealing with misogynistic language from pupils in education settings.

Parent/Carer Training Offer

Understanding Radicalisation in Children and Young People (1 hour)

A session for parents/carers and governors that requires no prior knowledge which focuses on:

- What radicalisation is and how it may present in children and young people.
- How to minimise harmful behaviour, content and contact online (understanding the risks and issues).
- Common issues in gaming and social media platforms, understanding how video games and gaming platforms can be used by extremists to exploit children and spread hate.
- Sharing practical strategies and ideas that can build resilience in children and young people to protect them from exploitation online.
- What to do and where to get help if things go wrong.
- Signposting free good quality resources and websites.

Children and Young People Workshops

Young Zak the Gamer (1 hour)

A workshop for children and young people in Year 6 which is designed to:

- Reinforce messages of general good online safety, particularly regarding sharing personal information online and interacting with strangers through gaming
- Increase young people's awareness of the risks of influence and radicalisation online
- Develop critical thinking in young people, equipping them with tools to keep themselves safe online
- Generate discussion around radicalisation, grooming and British Values
- Build an understanding of how to raise concerns and seek help

Other workshops and assemblies for children and young people

We can also deliver specially designed workshops and assemblies to children and young people from Key Stage 2 upwards. Availability of these sessions is limited and prioritised based on the criteria listed in FAQ (see page 2). Please contact us for more information.

We also provide advice and signposting to useful resources and lesson plans to enable all settings to plan and deliver a cross curricular approach to Prevent as well as lessons and assemblies on specific topics that maybe of concern in your setting.

Further Resources

Educate Against Hate

The Educate Against Hate website is the most comprehensive website for government advice and [trusted resources](#) to help [safeguard students](#) from radicalisation, [build resilience](#) to all types of extremism and [promote shared values](#).

They also have a [useful calendar](#) that highlights important awareness dates in the academic year which highlights opportunities to discuss things like online safety, Fundamental British Values and extremism from KS2 upwards. Each date has links to relevant resources, tools and practical advice to support you in engaging with your students and building their resilience to extremism.

You can sign up to the Educate Against Hate monthly newsletter [here](#) and receive free expert resources and advice straight to your inbox.



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