

# Safer Seven

On: Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking



## 1. What is Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking?

Modern slavery is the exploitation of people for personal or commercial gain. Victims are trapped into situations which they were deceived or coerced into, and feel they cannot leave. **Modern slavery** is defined in the Modern Slavery Act 2015 as: 'Holding a person in a position of slavery, servitude, forced or compulsory labour, or facilitating their travel with the intention of exploiting them soon after'

Human Trafficking involves recruitment, harbouring or transporting people into a situation of exploitation.

### 3. What are the signs and indicators?

- Having no personal Identification or passport/documents held by someone else
- Lack of money
- Evidence of control of movement either as an individual or a group
- Limited contact with family and/or limited social contact
- Others seeking to speak for the person you are trying to engage with
- Fear of a dominant male / female

### 2. What types of exploitation can be included under 'Modern Slavery'?

There are several broad categories of modern slavery. All prioritise proceeds over people

- Sexual exploitation
- Forced labour
- Forced criminality
- Domestic servitude

Anyone can be a victim of modern slavery and human trafficking regardless of gender, nationality or age, including children.

#### 4. More signs and indicators

- Signs of branding/ ownership
- Children not in education
- Physical injuries / limited access to medical or dental care
- Fearful of police or authority figures
- Living or found in 'degrading' conditions
- Multiple occupancy living accommodation
- Lifestyles they cannot afford e.g. new mobile, clothes, etc.

### 5. Where might you see it?

- Having your nails done
- Having your car washed
- Restaurants / takeaways / bars / hotels
- Shop work
- Fruit picking / Packing factories
- On building sites
- Leaflet drops
- Begging in the street

6. Where can I report concerns?

Follow the Dudley Pathway at:

www.dudleysafeandsound.org/modernslavery

For advice and guidance call:

The Modern Slavery Helpline 08000 121 700

### 7. What to do next

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