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Subject: Risk Assessment in domestic abuse

## REQUEST & RESPONSE

I am writing to request the following under the Freedom of Information Act, regarding use of and provision for the DASH checklist, aka Domestic Abuse, Stalking and Honour Based Violence

1. Is the DASH RIC used by your organisation as part of services (e.g. domestic abuse provision, victim support)?

**The DASH risk assessment is used at the Southport and Ormskirk sites of the Trust. The MERIT risk assessment is used on the remaining sites.**

2. Is the use of DASH RIC a standard provision or a requirement in contracts with third-party providers of relevant services (e.g. domestic abuse services, sheltered housing)?

**It is standard provision and not determined by 3<sup>rd</sup> party contracts**

3. If the DASH checklist is used by your organisation, which organisation or organisations provide the training that includes DASH training? (e.g. Domestic Abuse Matters training)

**Bespoke internal training is provided by the Safeguarding Team. The Trust has a DA policy and staff can access a 10-minute video showing how to complete the DASH risk assessment.**

4. What is the cost to your organisation of such training? Please break this down by financial year over the last five years, as well as by organisation (if more than one organisation provides the relevant training)

**NA as external training not provided.**