

TT8 Comments & Suggestions

Time helps so no big decision should be made about children too quickly.

A DV hub run by service users where people can attend for support

Adverts for fostering everywhere - if we help these families maybe not so many children will need fostering?

First point of access could be located at local government buildings

A service that helps to keep the family together if they both want to

Men/ Dad need to earn the right to have relationship with their children.

Use Carer's Centres as hub for DV issues - this would hit the needs of some of our most marginalised residents. The support and info would prevent greater long term costs to tax payers/ crime/ ill health/ mental health etc.

One contact point should be short and catch eg. 123 or 247

Use TV ad and celebrity endorsement (eg. Ezhther Ranzen and childline)

One book info pack where all available services explained with contact details - like the Family Book in doctors. Put in all school bags.

Quick questionnaire to help people recognise in black & white that they need help

All families need a key worker to work with parents & children to resolve issues before it gets to DV. In my experience all violence/anger could have been prevented with time to talk.

Family worker could make a report on family dynamics for a period of time before court date.

Non-abuser and abuser need time to talk and support

Service User's ex-partner turned up to court intoxicated, he had committed DV and was a drug addict. So WHY did judge decide he was fit to have children at weekends? Perps should be tested/ assessed/ rehab/ anger courses/ counselling before given rights to children