



**The Prevent Duty: Safeguarding Individuals
Vulnerable to Violent Extremism**



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Course Overview:

The current threat of terrorism in the United Kingdom can involve the exploitation of vulnerable individuals; including children, young people and vulnerable adults. All specified authorities (*including organisations providing contracted services*) subject to the Prevent Duty need to provide appropriate training for staff.

The Prevent - Safeguarding Individuals Vulnerable to Violent Extremism training course is designed to equip those staff working within the public, private and third sectors to gain a greater understanding of the various factors that may influence an individual towards violent extremism. The course is designed to provide a clear framework for professionals working with children and adults, where possible concerns exist to suggest individuals may be at risk of being radicalised towards violent extremist activity.

Trainer:

Vince Donovan (*Director*) retired from South Wales Police in September 2014, having served the last six years of his thirty year police career as a Prevent Engagement officer in Cardiff. Vince gained considerable experience engaging with a large number of vulnerable individuals, including working closely with the families of those involved in terrorist campaigns and others, whose sons had travelled to join terrorist groups in Kenya (*Al-Shabaab*) and Syria (*ISIS*), respectfully.

During Vince's service as a Prevent Engagement officer, he worked closely with statutory partners in South Wales, including Local Authorities, the Health Service, Probation and Education (*H.E. and F.E.*) and on behalf of South Wales Police led on the design and delivery of *bespoke* Prevent training (*including WRAP - Workshops to Raise Awareness of Prevent*) to staff within the police service, statutory and external partners alike.

Learning Objectives

- ▶ Understand key definitions such as extremism, radicalisation and terrorism, the relationship between them and how they are relevant to your role
- ▶ The UK Governments Counter Terrorism strategy CONTEST
- ▶ The Counter Terrorism & Security Act 2015. The Legal implications upon specified authorities and those organisations providing contracted services to specified authorities.
- ▶ An overview of Islamic, extreme far right and lone actor extremism
- ▶ Social psychology and group dynamics
- ▶ Recognise the vulnerabilities and warning signs of radicalisation
- ▶ Personal experiences as a Prevent Engagement officer - engaging with extremists
- ▶ Recognise the various methods and strategies used by extremists and terrorist organisations to radicalise and recruit vulnerable individuals
- ▶ The role of social media, imagery, language, narratives, demonstrations and personal contact
- ▶ Understand how to prevent people from becoming drawn to extremist ideologies and terrorism through Prevent and Channel