



**Gang and Knife Crime
Awareness Training for Young People**



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Course Overview:

Empowering educational work with vulnerable young people is critical to prevention. One incident is one too many and has a devastating impact not just on the lives of those directly involved but on whole families and communities.

This interactive Gang and Knife Crime awareness training course is designed to ensure that young people are fully informed and aware of the potentially devastating risks and consequences of risk behaviours (of any kind, including carrying a knife). The session provides an opportunity for young people to discuss issues in a safe learning environment.

Using various interactive group activities, we encourage young people to identify the influences and pressures that might lead to the decision to carry a knife, how they might deal with these and make positive decisions and choices.

Training is designed for young people aged between 11-17 years.

Trainer:

Vince Donovan served as a police officer with South Wales Police for thirty years. Vince served in a variety of departments including community safety, crime prevention and hate crime roles. He served the last six years of his police career working closely with a significant number of vulnerable individuals, groomed and attracted to various forms of violent extremism. He also worked with the families of young people who had left the UK to engage with terrorist groups abroad.

Vince has delivered training to over 350 organisations, many of which provide support for vulnerable young people with an array of challenging behaviours complicated sometimes, by substance misuse and mental health issues.

Learning Objectives

- Discuss the reasons why young people may be attracted to gangs or groups
- What is peer pressure
- Safety awareness when using social media
- Discuss the reasons why young people carry knives
- Recognise the risks and consequences associated with carrying knives
- Have an understanding of the legal aspects in relation to knives
- Relationships and Clare's Law - the right to know!