

IN4M: Information in 4 Minutes (Student Edition)

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What is the Prevent strategy?

Prevent is a government strategy aimed to prevent people supporting or becoming terrorism. Prevent falls under the government's Counter Terrorism 'CONTEST' strategy – and is the first stage of prevention.

What is Radicalisation?

Radicalisation is the route by which a person comes to support terrorism and extremist ideologies associated with terrorist groups. The action or process of causing someone to adopt radical positions on political or social issues.

What is Extremism?

Extremism is the state of being extreme, of approving of or supporting extreme measures or views. Having beliefs that most people find unreasonable or unacceptable. There are many types of extremist views; most commonly known are political and religious views but extreme views can be held on any topic, if taken too far.

Who can I speak to, if I want more information?

Hugh Baird College has an experienced team of Safeguarding Officers. Should you require any further information, you can ask to talk to someone in the Safeguarding Team; reception staff will contact us and we will respond to your enquiry.

Look at the following resources:

- StopHateUK.org.uk: 0113 293 5100
- Educateagainsthate.org.uk
- Victimsupport.org.uk 0151 343 4025
- Letstalkaboutit.info
- *Anti-Terrorist Hotline*: 0800 789 321.
- FamiliesMatter.org.uk
- NSPCC.org.uk: 0808 800 5000
- *SIGMA Hate Crime Unit* 0151 777 3020 Mobile 07921 698 319

How can radicalisation occur?

- *Self-radicalisation*
- *Online communities*
- *Charismatic individuals' speeches may be used*
- *Propaganda*
- *Books, pamphlets, CDs or DVDs*
- *Vulnerable people identified and targeted*
- *Grooming of vulnerable adults*
- *A process very similar to Child Sexual exploitation can take place*
- *Offers of gifts such as jewellery or clothes may be used*

What are the Warning Signs?

- *Extreme behavioural change*
- *Transitional period in life*
- *Changes in faith or ideology*
- *Expressions of support for violent extremism*
- *Narrow/limited religious/political views*
- *Attendance at certain meetings or rallies*
- *Them and us rhetoric (dehumanisation)*
- *Possession of propaganda DVDs/CDs*
- *Access to violent extremist web site*
- *Secrecy on the internet*

How does the Prevent strategy apply in College?

We aim to protect our students from any activity that could cause harm including, but not limited to, radicalisation and extremism. All schools, training providers and educational organisations have a duty to safeguard children and vulnerable adults from radicalisation and extremism. Hugh Baird College takes this duty very seriously and we have a robust strategy in place which is intended to protect our students from extremist and violent views. This strategy delivers key messages to all staff and students about how to protect themselves and how to protect each other.

