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If you need help or are concerned about a friend or family member please call:

<b>Sheffield Domestic Abuse Helpline</b>	0808 808 2241
Rotherham Rise	0330 202 0571
<b>Barnsley Domestic Abuse Helpline</b>	03000 110 110
Doncaster Domestic Abuse Hub	01302 737080

www.sayit.org.uk/callitout

SAYIT is a trans inclusive space and welcomes people of all genders. We have a zero tolerance approach to discrimination, victimisation or harassment on the basis of a person's gender identity.

## **PROGRAMME**

9.00	REGISTRATION AND REFRESHMENTS		
9.30	INTRODUCTION AND WORKING AGREEMENT		
	Steve Slack CEO. SAYIT		
9.35	WELCOME		
	Prof Deborah Murdoch-Eaton Dean of Medical Education,		
	University of Sheffield		
9.40	Dr Alan Billings South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner		
9.45	Cllr Dawn Dale Councillor, Sheffield City Council		
9.50	Alison Higgins Strategic Commissioning Manager, Sheffield DACT		
	SESSION 1: KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS		
9.55	Prof Catherine Donovan Durham University		
10.20	Dr Michaela Rogers University of Sheffield		
10.30	Q & A		
10.45	BREAK (REFRESHMENTS, NETWORKING AND STALLS)		
	SESSION 2: KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS		
11.15	<b>Prof Gill Valentine</b> Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor, University		
	of Sheffield		
11.20	Dr Jasna Magic Galop		
11.45	James Henshall Irwin Mitchell		
11.55	Elly Sinclair and Heather Paterson LGBT+ Domestic Abuse		
	Development Workers , SAYiT		
12.00	Q & A		
12.20	Service user voices		
12.35	COMFORT BREAK		
12.45	WORKSHOPS		
1.30	Plenary and Close		
1.35	LUNCH AND NETWORKING		
2.00	Close		



1 in 4 lesbian and bi women have experienced domestic abuse in a relationship (Stonewall)

#CALLITOUT

80% of trans people have experienced emotional, sexual, or physical abuse from a partner or ex-partner (Scottish Transgender Alliance)

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### **KEY DEFINITIONS AND TERMINOLOGY**

#### **Domestic Abuse**

According to the UK Home Office, domestic abuse is defined as 'any incident or pattern of incidents of controlling, coercive, threatening behaviours, violence or abuse between those aged 16 or over who are, or who have been, intimate partners or family members regardless of gender or sexuality'. Domestic abuse can encompass, but is not limited to psychological, physical, sexual, financial, and emotional and also includes so-called 'honour'-based violence, forced marriage and female genital mutilation (FGM).

#### **Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Terms**

**Bi or Bisexual** is an umbrella term used to describe an emotional, romantic and/or sexual orientation to more than one gender.

**Cisgender or cis** Someone whose gender identity is the same as the sex they were assigned at birth. Non-trans is also used by some people.

**Gay/Lesbian** Refers to a man or woman who has an emotional, romantic and/or sexual orientation towards men/women.

**Gender Identity** A person's innate sense of their own gender, whether male, female or something else, which may or may not correspond to the sex assigned at birth.

**Intersex** A term used to describe a person who may have the biological attributes of both sexes or whose biological attributes do not fit with societal assumptions about what constitutes male or female. Intersex people may identify as male, female or non-binary.

LGBT+ The acronym for lesbian, gay, bi, trans people and all other minority gender and sexual identities.

**Non-binary** An umbrella term for people whose gender identity doesn't sit comfortably with 'man' or 'woman'. Non-binary identities are varied and can include people who identify with some aspects of binary identities, while others reject them entirely.

**Sexual Orientation** A person's emotional, romantic and/or sexual attraction to another person.

Trans An umbrella term to describe people whose gender is not the same as, or does not sit comfortably with, the sex they were assigned at birth. Trans people may describe themselves using one or more of a wide variety of terms, including (but not limited to) transgender, transsexual, gender-queer, gender-fluid, non-binary, gender-variant, crossdresser, genderless, agender, nongender, third gender, two-spirit, bi-gender, trans man, trans woman, trans masculine and trans feminine.

**Transition** Some trans and non binary people may undertake a social transition (e.g. changing names, presentation, documentation etc.) and/or medical interventions (hormones and/or surgeries) but not all trans / non binary people want/need this or are able to access it.

### **SPEAKERS**



**PROF CATHERINE DONOVAN** 

**Durham University** 

Catherine is Professor of Sociology at the University of Durham. She has spent nearly 30 years researching the intimate and family lives of lesbians, gay men and, more recently, bisexual and trans people. Since researching family and parenting

relationships her most recent work includes the first comparative study of love and violence in same sex and heterosexual relationships (the COHSAR Project) and the first in-depth study (the Coral Project) exploring the use of violence in the relationships of LGB and/or T people. She is currently co-authoring a book based on the findings from the Coral Project exploring the different ways in which LGB and/or T people use violence and behaviours that might be perceived as abusive in their intimate relationships; and the implications for help—seeking and help providers. She is currently researching magistrates' training on domestic violence and abuse and their perceptions of risk and safety; students' experiences of interpersonal violence; and universities' responses to the recommendations from the UUK Report on Violence Against Women, Harassment and Hate on Campus (2016).



DR MICHAELA ROGERS

University of Sheffield

Dr Michaela Rogers is a Senior Lecturer in Social Work at the University of Sheffield. Michaela has a professional and academic background in children and families social care and is a registered social worker. Her practice experience ranges from

statutory social work in child protection and foster care to voluntary sector management roles as well as in frontline positions working with various groups of vulnerable people (young people, older people, women and children escaping domestic abuse). Michaela's research spans the areas of social care, social justice, equality and diversity, safeguarding, interpersonal and gender-based violence. She has an interest in the experiences of marginalised communities and in the use of narrative and creative methods in research design.



DR JASNA MAGIĆ

Galop

Jasna is a Domestic Abuse and Policy Officer at Galop, where she leads a national project raising awareness on LGBT+ people's experiences with domestic violence. Jasna is an experienced practitioner and has over 15 years of experience in

research, campaigning and policy work in the area of gender and sexual orientation-based violence. She is also a published author and has worked with a number of human rights and anti-violence governmental and non-governmental organisations in the UK and abroad.

#### **STEVE SLACK**

**SPEAKERS** 

CEO, SAYIT

CEO of SAYIT, Steve is a trained counsellor and ILM qualified executive coach with a varied social work background. He was Director of The Centre for HIV and Sexual Health in Sheffield for over a decade before working as a senior NHS manager for Sheffield's integrated sexual health service.

#### **PROF GILL VALENTINE**

Provost and Deputy Vice Chancellor, University of Sheffield

An outstanding ambassador for equality and the University's senior LGBT+ champion. In 2017 Gill won the national Excellence in Diversity Award in the category of Diversity Champion in the Education Sector.

#### **JAMES HENSHALL**

Irwin Mitchell Solicitors

Solicitor specialising in all areas of Family Law including cases arising from relationship breakdown. Several of James' clients have been the victims or perpetrators of domestic abuse. James also represents a number of clients that identify as members of the LGBT+ community. In addition to his work with clients, James is the Chair of the Sheffield IMEqual group, the LGBT+ equality group at Irwin Mitchell LLP

#### **CLLR DAWN DALE**

Councillor, Sheffield City Council

Sheffield councillor for Shiregreen and Brightside and Cabinet Adviser for Children and Families.

#### **DR ALAN BILLINGS**

South Yorkshire Police and Crime Commissioner

In addition to his current role as Police and Crime Commissioner, Alan's previous roles have included member of the Home Office Community Cohesion Panel, Youth Justice Board, England Committee of the Big Lottery Fund and Former Deputy Leader, Sheffield City Council.

#### **ALISON HIGGINS**

Strategic Commissioning Manager, Sheffield DACT

Alison has worked in Sheffield City Council commissioning domestic and sexual abuse services since 2009. Before that she worked at a Women's Aid organisation in north Derbyshire for 14 years. She is originally from London but has lived in Sheffield since 1983.

#### **ELLY SINCLAIR**

LGBT+ Domestic Abuse Development Worker, SAYIT

Elly has delivered LGBT+ youth support projects in both Leeds and Bristol through Positive Identities Service at Barnardo's and Freedom Youth at Off The Record. She has been delivering training since 2002 - training on sexuality and gender diversity in schools and as a lecturer in FE.

#### **HEATHER PATERSON**

LGBT+ Domestic Abuse Development Worker, SAYiT

Heather has worked with LGBT+ and equality organisations in Sheffield for 20 years. Most recently she worked on a young women's voice and influence project at Together Women. She was a cofounder and former chair of Pride Sheffield and currently chairs the LGBT+ Hub of Sheffield's Equality Hub Network.

### **DOMESTIC ABUSE SERVICES**

The DACT team in Sheffield City Council works with the Community Safety Partnership, domestic abuse support agencies and people who receive support, to develop services, and ensure that those who need support get it as easily and efficiently as possible. Sheffield has recently contracted IDAS (www.idas.org.uk) to provide the city's domestic abuse services including a helpline, one to one support and group programmes. SARAS is the local provider of refuge accommodation and referrals can be made via Housing Solutions.



www.sheffielddact.org.uk



Doncaster Council Doncaster Council, in partnership with other specialist providers of domestic abuse support, have created the **Doncaster Domestic Abuse Hub** which means that there is simple way of accessing support for anyone that wants help. Partners in the Hub include Doncaster Council, Doncaster Children's Services Trust, Riverside, Phoenix WoMen's Aid and South Yorkshire Women's Aid. Together we can support you with practical and emotional support. The team also works closely with other agencies e.g. health, housing and Police to offer you additional help and support.

www.doncaster.gov.uk

Rotherham Rise provide a range of support services for adults and children who have been affected by Domestic and Sexual Abuse. Services include: Refuge accommodation for women and their children, Outreach support, Specialist BME support, Group work, Learning opportunities, Specialist support for children and young people and Counselling. A support service for those who are using abusive behaviours, Men and Women is currently under development.



www.rotherhamrise.org.uk



IDAS is the largest specialist charity in Yorkshire (covering Sheffield, Barnsley and North Yorkshire) supporting anyone experiencing or affected by domestic abuse or sexual violence. Our services include refuge accommodation, community based support, peer mentoring, group work and access to a free, confidential out of hours' helpline. Our teams of accredited specialist workers (IDVA's and ISVAs) support people through the criminal justice system in addition to providing emotional support and safety planning advice.

www.idas.org.uk

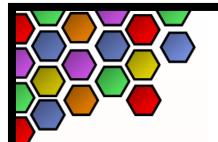
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### **ABOUT SAYIT**





### Transforming the lives of LGBT+ young people.



**Group work** 

1:1 support

**Support for Schools** 

Parent/ carers group

Work with statutory,

voluntary and private sectors

**Outreach** 

**Education and Training** 

SAYIT is a registered independent charity, which has been running in Sheffield since 1999. Our core function is to transform the lives of LGBT+ young people, promoting good mental health and wellbeing, through supportive group work, youth action, education and influence. We can also support young people's sexual health needs.

To refer a young person, to book training or education sessions, to commission bespoke training, purchase resources, gain support or more information please contact SAYIT.



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# Domestic Violence Family & Relationships

Everyone has the right to live without fear for their safety. If you're the victim of domestic violence, our team of experienced family law solicitors can help to protect you and your family.

It's important to work with a law firm you can trust. We have dealt with a range of domestic violence cases over many years, working with sensitivity and understanding to help you resolve your situation as quickly as possible.

Our legal experts can help you:

- Apply for a court order to protect you from violence, threats of violence and harassment
- Apply for a court order to stop a person entering or coming near your home
- Work to protect your children
- Resolve any financial issues
- Divorce from a partner who has been abusive.

We can sort out financial matters or childcare arrangements on your behalf, if you do not wish to deal directly with your partner. We also provide access to a range of professional organisations offering support and advice to those who have experienced domestic violence, helping you and your family to heal and move forward.

Whatever help you need, our expert family law solicitors will work quickly and carefully to ensure you and your loved ones are protected. To find out more about how we can help, call us for a completely confidential consultation on **0345 604 4911** or contact us online at **www.irwinmitchell.com** and we'll get back to you as soon as possible.



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