



West Mercia MAPP
Basic Awareness Training
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Course Aims

To provide a general introduction to principles, purpose and procedures of MAPPA



Course Objectives

Understand the purpose and function of MAPPA

Identify MAPPA Offenders

Identify the levels at which MAPPA Offenders are managed

Identify the Responsible and Duty to Cooperate agencies



What is MAPPA?

MAPPA stands for:

Multi
Agency
Public
Protection
Arrangements

These arrangements are **STATUTORY**



What MAPPA is...

MAPPA is the process through which the Police, Probation and Prison Services work together with other agencies to manage the risk posed by violent and sexual offenders living in the community, and those sentenced to custody, in order to protect the public



Police, Probation & Prison Services

These are the Responsible Authorities

They have a duty to:

Establish arrangements for the assessment and management of the risks posed by sexual and violent offenders

Ensure the performance of MAPPA in its area is fit for purpose



Other Agencies

Duty to Cooperate Agencies

Youth Offending Service

Jobcentre Plus

Local Authority Children's Services

Local Authority Adult Services

Local Housing Authorities

Registered Social Landlords (RSLs)

Health Bodies

Electronic Monitoring Providers

UKBA



Other Agencies

Not Duty to Cooperate

E.g. - Identified when looking at the individual case

Faith Communities' - Children & Adults
Safeguarding Leads

Women's Aid / Independent Domestic Violence
Advisor



Other Agencies

Not Duty to Cooperate

- ❖ Independent providers of Services:
 - Children's Care Centres
 - Adult Care Homes
- ❖ Fire & Rescue Service
- ❖ Ambulance Trust



MAPPA Managed Offenders

Category One:

Registered Sexual Offenders

*They **must** notify the police of their name, address and personal details (Sexual Offences Act 2003).*



MAPPA Managed Offenders

Category Two:

Violent Offenders (and other Sexual Offenders)

Those sentenced to 12 months or more in custody or to detention in hospital, who have been convicted of a sexual or violent offence listed in Schedule 15 CJA 2003. This includes those offenders sentenced to Suspended Sentence Orders, as long as the period of custody suspended is 12 months or greater.



MAPPA Managed Offender

Category Three:

Other Dangerous Offenders

Those who have committed an offence, who do not meet the criteria for Cat 1 or 2, which indicated capacity to cause serious harm to the public and who because of the assessed risk need multi-agency management at level 2 or 3.



Risk of Serious Harm

Serious harm can be identified as an event which is life threatening and / or traumatic, from which recovery, whether physical or psychological, can be expected to be difficult or impossible

Risk of serious harm is the likelihood of this event happening

It should be recognised that the risk of harm is a dynamic concept that should be kept under regular review.



Risk Assessment

Approved Assessment Tools throughout England and Wales are:

OASys (Offender Assessment System)

Thornton's Risk Matrix 2000 for adult male sexual offenders(RM2000)

Arms (Active Risk Management Systems)

ASSET for young offenders



MAPPA - Levels

There are three levels of MAPPA management.

They are mainly based upon the level of multi-agency cooperation required with higher risk cases tending to be managed at the higher levels.

Offenders will be moved up and down levels, as appropriate.



MAPPA - Levels

Level 1

Ordinary agency management is for offenders who can be managed by one or two agencies (e.g. police and / or probation)

It will involve sharing information about the offender with other agencies, if necessary and appropriate



MAPPA - Levels

! IMPORTANT !

DO NOT IGNORE MAPPA Level 1s

Level 1s need close monitoring to ensure the risk they pose is effectively managed – should the risk increase then a referral should be made to MAPPA for multi agency management. MAPPA Level 1's should be referred into MAPPA 6 months prior to release from custody.

MAPPA - Levels

Level 2

Active multi-agency management is for offenders where the ongoing involvement of several agencies is needed to manage the offender

Once at Level 2, there will be regular Multi-Agency Public Protection (MAPP) meetings about the offender



MAPPA - Levels

Level 3

Same arrangements as Level 2, but cases qualifying for Level 3 tend to be more demanding on resources and require the involvement of senior people from the agencies, who can authorise the use of extra resources

For example, surveillance on an offender or emergency accommodation



REMEMBER:

Do *not* confuse category and level of management

E.g. A Category 1 offender can be managed at Level 1, 2 or 3

A Cat 3 offender can not be managed at Level 1



The MAPPA Process

All MAPPA offenders are assessed to establish the level of risk of harm they pose to the public

Risk Management plans are then worked out for each offender to manage those risks



The MAPPA Process

MAPPA allows agencies to assess and manage offenders on a multi-agency basis by working together, sharing information and meeting, as necessary, to ensure that effective plans are put in place



Critical Components

When work on public protection does not include information and expertise from all relevant agencies, it is weak, and likely to be ineffective

In order to manage the risk the powers and responsibilities of all relevant agencies must be utilised



Information Sharing must

Have lawful authority

- Data Protection Act (1998)
- Human Rights Act (1998)
- Common Law
- Statutory Duties of Confidence

Be necessary

Be proportionate

Ensure the safety and security of the information shared

MAPPA Guidance (2009) Version 3.0, Section 5



Confidentiality

In working with offenders, victims and other members of the public all agencies have agreed boundaries of confidentiality.

MAPPA minutes are closed under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Any information shared is not shared with the offender or anyone outside of the Agencies involved unless MAPPA give specific permission.

Chairing & Attendance

Level 2 & 3 meetings are chaired by an Independent MAPPA Coordinator and minutes taken (usually) by a MAPPA Administrator

There are 'standing' members from the Responsible Authorities and Duty to Cooperate agencies at the meetings, together with agencies / staff with a specific interest / role for the case



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