

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 23rd JANUARY 2023**

Question

Will the Minister outline what training is provided to all officers within the Justice and Home Affairs department in identifying coercive behaviour and confirm how many officers have completed such training, broken down by service –

- a) States of Jersey Police;
- b) Ambulance Service;
- c) Fire and Rescue Service;
- d) Jersey Customs and Immigration Service;
- e) States of Jersey Prison Service;
- f) Health and Safety Inspectorate;
- g) Jersey Field Squadron; and,
- h) any supporting/civilian Government of Jersey officers within the department?

Answer

Identifying coercive behaviour is not a standalone learning subject, but rather an integral part of other learning modules that are offered by Government of Jersey (GOJ). The main learning modules are:

- Safeguarding Children
- Safeguarding Adults
- Safeguarding Everyone
- Awareness of Domestic Violence & Abuse

In addition to this, there are safeguarding level 1, 2 & 3 modules, used mainly by the Health and Education services and classroom learning events provided by some departments.

Identifying coercive and controlling behaviour is a significant part of these learning packages.

‘Safeguarding Adults’ and ‘Safeguarding Children’ are included in the GOJ Statutory & Mandatory training package, but only for those who work directly with children or vulnerable adults.

In addition to this, some departments have added Safeguarding or ‘Awareness of Domestic Violence and Abuse’ to their mandatory training packages.

A Safeguarding briefing booklet is included in the GOJ My Welcome learning module that should be completed, by all staff, within 30 days of joining. Completion of this briefing booklet has not been included in the following figures as the question specifically asks about training.

- a) States of Jersey Police;

All SOJP staff have completed ‘Awareness of Domestic Abuse & Violence’ as well as Safeguarding as part of their initial training and ongoing CPD.

- b) Ambulance Service;

All Ambulance staff have completed Safeguarding at level 1, 2 or 3 or ‘Awareness of Domestic Abuse & Violence’ as part of their initial training and ongoing CPD.

c) Fire and Rescue Service;

59 Fire Service staff have completed 'Awareness of Domestic Abuse & Violence' or Safeguarding Learning. This represents 56% of total staff.

d) Jersey Customs and Immigration Service;

49 C&I staff have completed 'Awareness of Domestic Abuse & Violence' or Safeguarding Learning (including classroom training). This represents 69% of total staff.

e) States of Jersey Prison Service;

79 Prison Service staff have completed 'Awareness of Domestic Abuse & Violence' or Safeguarding Learning. This represents 60% of total staff.

f) Health and Safety Inspectorate;

There are five staff in H&SI. There is no record of completion of 'Awareness of Domestic Abuse & Violence' or 'Safeguarding Learning' on the Learning Management System.

g) Jersey Field Squadron;

The MOD side of Jersey Field Squadron (Officers & Soldiers) follow a standard package issued by the MOD, which includes Values & Respect, but not specific training on identifying coercive behaviour.

The civilian staff are included in the figures in paragraph h) (below).

h) Supporting/civilian Government of Jersey Staff

The remaining staff include JHA Business Support Unit (including Field Squadron Staff) 9 BSU staff have completed 'Awareness of Domestic Abuse & Violence' or Safeguarding Learning. This represents 64% of total staff.