

## Significant Risks for Young people during Adolescence

## Introduction

This report explores by the key significant risks adolescents face, based on the research document entitled "That Difficult Age: Developing a more effective response to risks in adolescence" (Dr E Hanson and D Holmes, 2014), which explores the significant risks that young people face. The service has explored these risks in relation to the young people that are currently being supported on lead workers caseloads and have produced this report to give a snapshot overview of the issues currently being faced.

Based on the research there are 4 categories of significant risks with an added category that was based on some of the issues that the Lead workers are currently supporting.

The categories are...

- Sexual Abuse
- Physical Violence
- Neglect (that reduces parental capacity and incurs caring)
- Emotional Abuse
- Other Risks (defined) (as defined by the above research)
- Other Risks (undefined) (as defined by YPS)

This report is split into Pre and Post 16 young people and gives an overview as a whole service and gives breakdowns in relation to the Level 2 and Level 3 Lead Work Teams.

## Points of Interest

In the 5 areas of significant risks there are key similarities between both the pre 16 and post 16 young people. These similarities occur in the top 3 significant risk areas of Sexual Abuse, Physical Violence, Neglect and Other Risks undefined. The two areas that differ slightly are Emotional Abuse and Other Risks Defined.

Within both age groups there is evidence that the young people we are supporting experience risks made up of several categories and individual risk factors.

## Pre 16

202 young people are or have been at risk to 5 and below risk factors
14 young people experience between 6-9 risk factors
2 young people have $10+$ risk factors
The highest accumulative number of risk factors is one young person with 14 identifying factors.

122 young people are or have been at risk to 5 and below risk factors 8 young people experience between 6-9 risk factors 10 young people have $10+$ risk factors The highest accumulative number of risk factors is one young person with 18 identifying factors.

## Pre 16 Caseloads -

Within the age group of Pre 16 Young People aged 11-16 Years old. The Lead workers explore their Caseloads which consisted of 218 young people. The breakdown in terms of teams are...


5 areas of Risks identified Overall percentages (based on a young person having 1 factor in each group)


Within the Significant Risk Factors the highest Scoring risks are...

Sexual Abuse - 36 young people have Online use that causes concern
Physical Violence - 33 Young People have Family Violence Adolescent to Adult
Neglect - 56 young people Whose parents have Mental Health Issues
Emotional Abuse - 36 young people are Living with Domestic abuse between Parents

Other Risks Defined - 36 Young people have Self-harmed or suicide attempts
Other Risks Undefined - 69 Young people have emotional behavioural difficulties (ADHD, ASD)

## Category Breakdown

Within the Level 2 and 3 Teams breakdown of risk categories are... (no of Young people)



Individual categories broken down by risk factor, team and no of young people

## Sexual abuse



## Physical Violence



## Neglect



## Emotional Abuse



## Other risks (defined)




## Post 16 Caseloads

Within the age group of Post 16 Young People aged 16-20 years old. The Lead workers explore their Caseloads which consisted of 126 young people. The breakdowns in terms of teams are...


5 areas of Risks identified Overall percentages


Within the Significant Risk Factors the highest Scoring risks are...

Sexual Abuse -4 young people have Online use that causes concern and 4 young people have been sexually exploited by gangs or groups

Physical Violence - 13 Young People have Family Violence Adolescent to Adult
Neglect - 25 young people whose parents have Mental Health Issues
Emotional Abuse - 14 young people have experienced emotional abuse between family members and adolescents

Other Risks Defined - 31 Young people have substance misuse problems
Other Risks Undefined - 37 Young people have emotional behavioural difficulties (ADHD, ASD)

Individual categories broken down by risk factor, team and no of young people

## Sexual abuse



## Physical Violence



Neglect (that causes disruption to parenting capacity or incurs caring)


## Emotional Abuse



## Other Risks Defined




