

Help

Salford

The Bridge

0161 603 4500

We have specialist team in Salford that support children and young people who are experiencing exploitation. Please share any worries with someone at the Bridge.

Barnardo's

0161 702 0222

Barnardo's work therapeutically children and young people who are at risk or experiencing exploitation. Barnardo's Work from a trauma and relational perspective to support young people in processing and understanding what has happened and recovering from their experiences

Salford Foundation

S.T.E.E.R

0161 787 8500

STEER provides one to one mentoring for young people at risk of serious youth violence in Salford.

Nationally

NSPCC

0808 800 5000

www.nspcc.org.uk/what-is-child-abuse/types-of-abuse/

Think U know

www.thinkuknow.co.uk/parents/

The Children's society

www.childrenssociety.org.uk/what-we-do/helping-children/disrupting-exploitation

PACE ((Parents Against Exploitation)

www.paceuk.info/

Maggie Oliver Foundation

www.themaggieoliverfoundation.com/

If you are not sure who to call then speak with your child's school. They can support you and your child and signpost to relevant professionals.

Exploitation and Grooming

Any child can experience
Exploitation; **Anytime,**
Any age, Anywhere!



Possible signs of Exploitation

- Your young person may become more secretive
- Your young person may have stopped seeing their usual friends, they may start talking about a new friendship group
- Your young person may be experiencing more mood swings
- Your young person might be spending more time out with 'friends' and not always sticking to their curfew, they might not keep in touch when they're out.
- Your young person may be more secretive about how they spend their time and who they spend time with
- Your young person might receive messages or phone calls that they don't want you to see
- Your young person may have new items of clothing, new makeup or more money
- Their language might change and they may start to listen to a different type of music
- Your young person may come home with marks or scars, they may be uncomfortable about telling you where they are from
- Your young person may suddenly start using drugs and alcohol or using more frequently
- Your young person may become withdrawn, worried, look and sad. Their general mood may change



Grooming

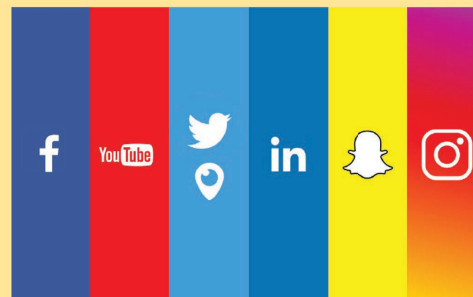
Grooming is when a person is befriended, this can happen in person or online. Befriending can seem like building a friendship or intimate relationship. Groomers may also befriend parents or the family of a young person.

Groomers or perpetrators may describe their relationship with the young person as 'special' and may talk about how 'no one else will understand'.

It isn't just children who are victims to Groomers/perpetrators, adults can also be groomed too.

Groomers create a state of dependency, where they can then coerce a person to do something for their own gratification or benefit.

The groomer/perpetrator can maintain this relationship with threats of violence to the individual and their family, threatening to share intimate information or pictures, threats of debts or debt bondage.



Sexual exploitation

Sexual exploitation is when a young person is given items in return for performing sexual acts. These items could include **Money, Drugs, makeup, clothes and other gifts**. Young people can also receive **affection and social status in return**.

Criminal Exploitation

Criminal exploitation is when a young person is encouraged and forced to engage in criminal activity.

A young person may receive items and social status as discussed above. A young person may be encouraged or forced to **carry a firearm or knife, dealing drugs, holding and hiding drugs, taking part in robberies, take part in criminal damage and much more**.

Criminal Exploitation is a form of modern slavery.