



## County Lines and Criminal Exploitation Awareness Training Programme 13th – 17th February 2023

Between February 13th – 17th West Midlands Violence Reduction Partnership have organised County Lines and Criminal Exploitation Awareness Training sessions for parents, carers, community members and faith leads.

County Lines is a way to describe a specific type of criminal exploitation. This is where gangs and organised crime networks exploit children to sell drugs. They are often forced to travel to different counties, and they use dedicated mobile phone 'lines' to sell these drugs. This is where the term comes from.

This FREE awareness training programme aims to develop and improve our understanding of the threat from County Lines and Criminal Exploitation.

All sessions are free of charge to attend and will be delivered via Microsoft Teams. The timetable below has links to the Eventbrite booking page for each event, where tickets can be booked. There are limited spaces for each session, so please sign up at your earliest opportunity to guarantee your place.

### **Training provider: [The Clewer Initiative](#) - "What can we actually do about County Lines?"**

This briefing will empower community members and wider to understand and report county lines and wider criminal exploitation

**This session is aimed at:** Community Members, faith leads, parents and carers

**Date & Time:** Tuesday 14th Feb 2023 10am – 11am

**Please register on Eventbrite:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-clewer-initiative-what-can-we-actually-do-about-county-lines-tickets-518735169857>

**Training provider: [The Clewer Initiative](#) - County Lines awareness for Parents and Grandparents**

This briefing will cover an introduction to county lines awareness for grandparents, parents and guardians.

**This session is aimed at:** Grandparents, parents and carers

**Date & Time:** Wednesday 15th Feb 2023 2.30pm – 3.30pm

**Please register on Eventbrite:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-clewer-initiative-county-lines-awareness-for-parents-and-grandparents-tickets-517667014977>

**Training provider: [Crimestoppers/ Fearless](#) - County Lines: how to report it?**

This session will cover

- An overview of Crimestoppers & their Youth Provision Fearless
- How to report crime anonymously
- How to report crime around criminal exploitation and County Lines

**This session is aimed at:** Front line workers, Parents Carers, Community Members

**Date/time** - Friday 17th Feb 2023, 11am – 1pm

**Please register on**

**Eventbrite:** <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/crimestoppersfearless-criminal-exploitation-county-lines-workshop-tickets-517348321757>

Additional Training: PACE Offer for Parents & Professionals:

<https://paceuk.info/>

The [PACE website](#) provides lots of information for both professionals and parents and provides access to the national parent support team where parents/carers can self-refer to receive support. PACE also have their free 'Know the Signs' video; a 4-minute presentation outlining some of the signs parents can look out for: <https://paceuk.info/for-parents/film-knowing-the-signs/>

Pace also have a FREE County Lines e-learning course for parents and professionals that takes 20 minutes to complete: [Child Criminal Exploitation and County Lines E-learning Training Course - Parents Against Child Exploitation \(Pace\) UK \(paceuk.info\)](#)