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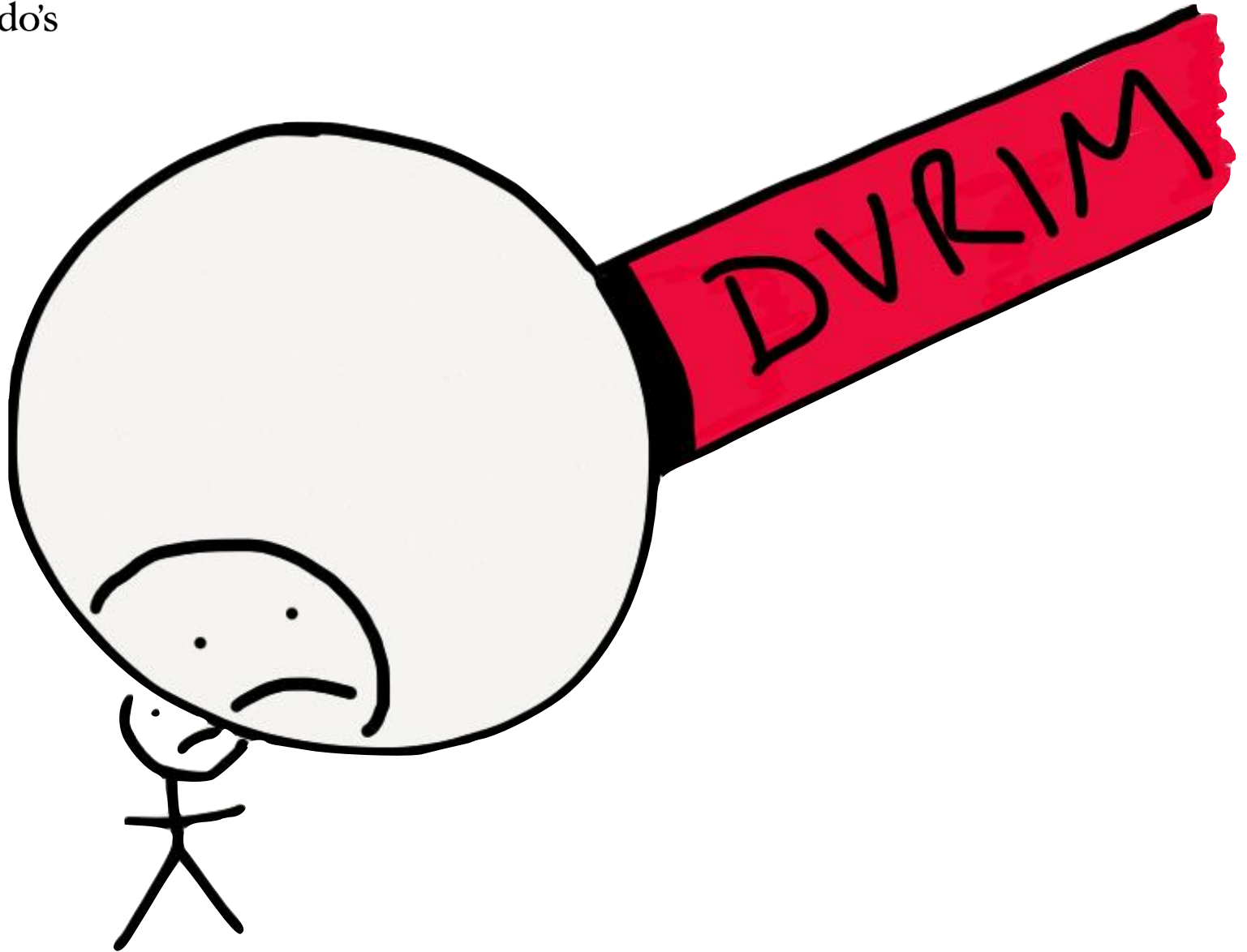


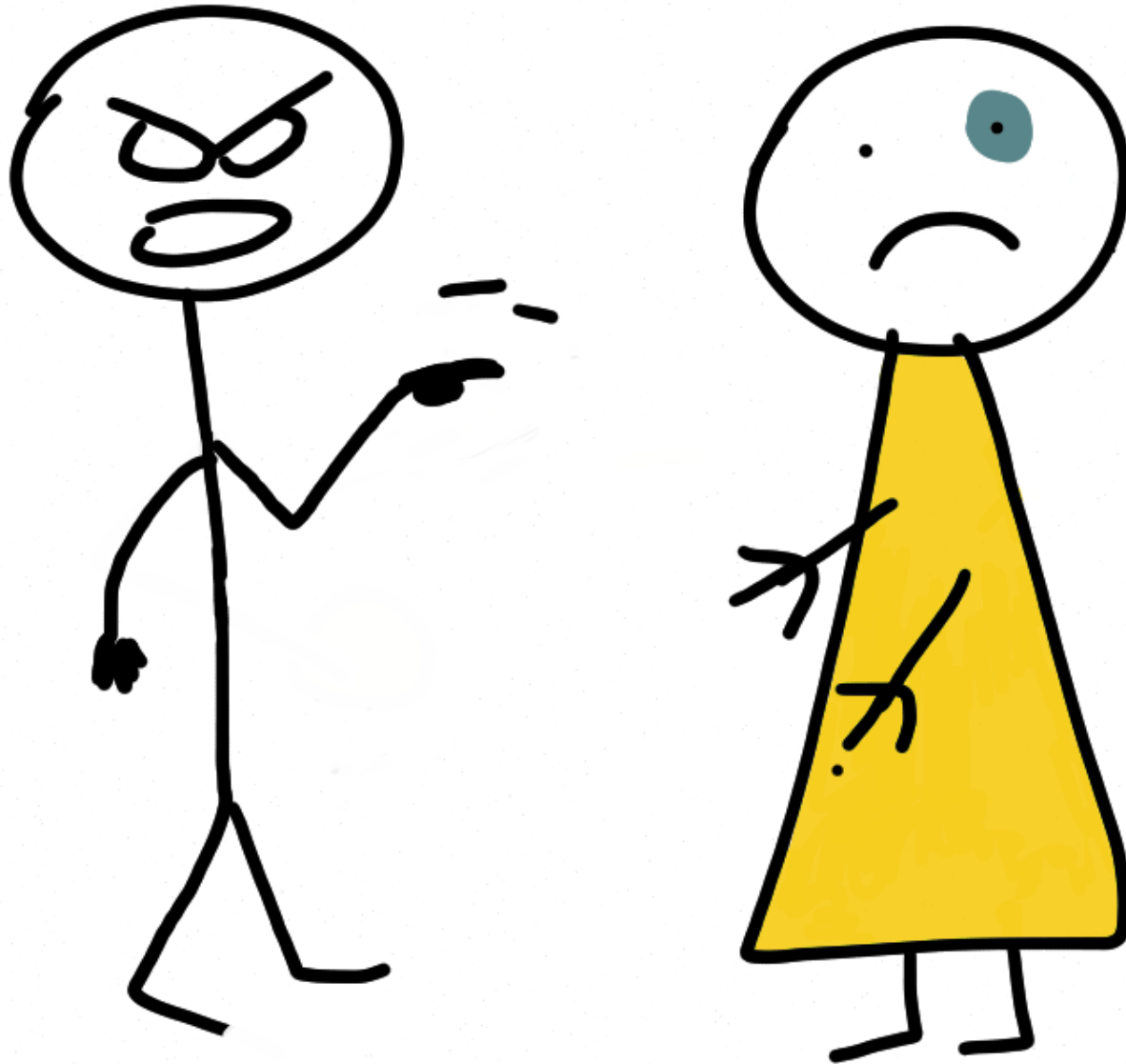
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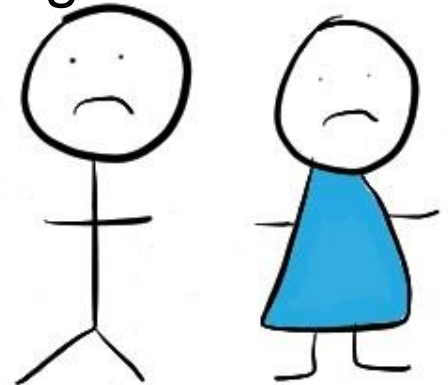
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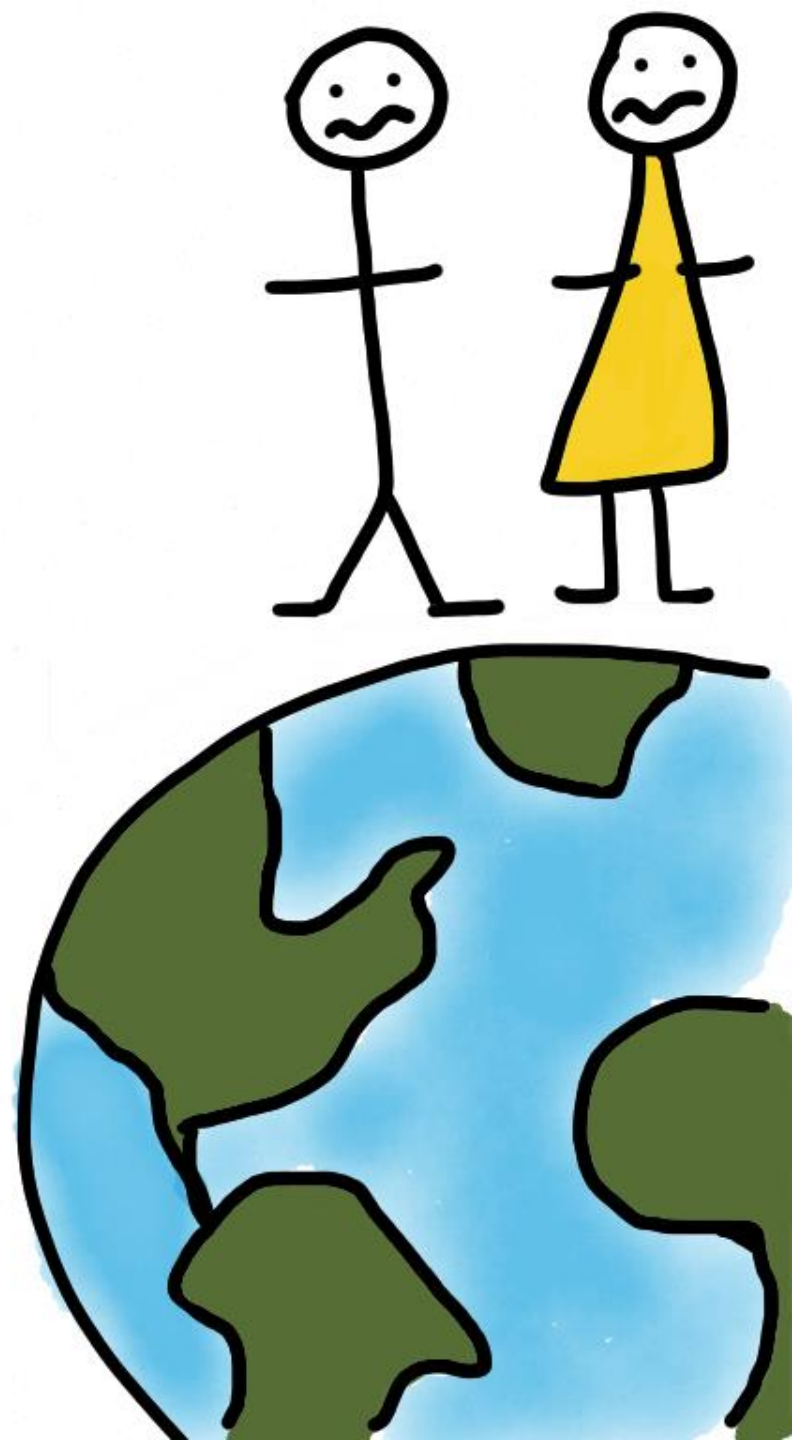
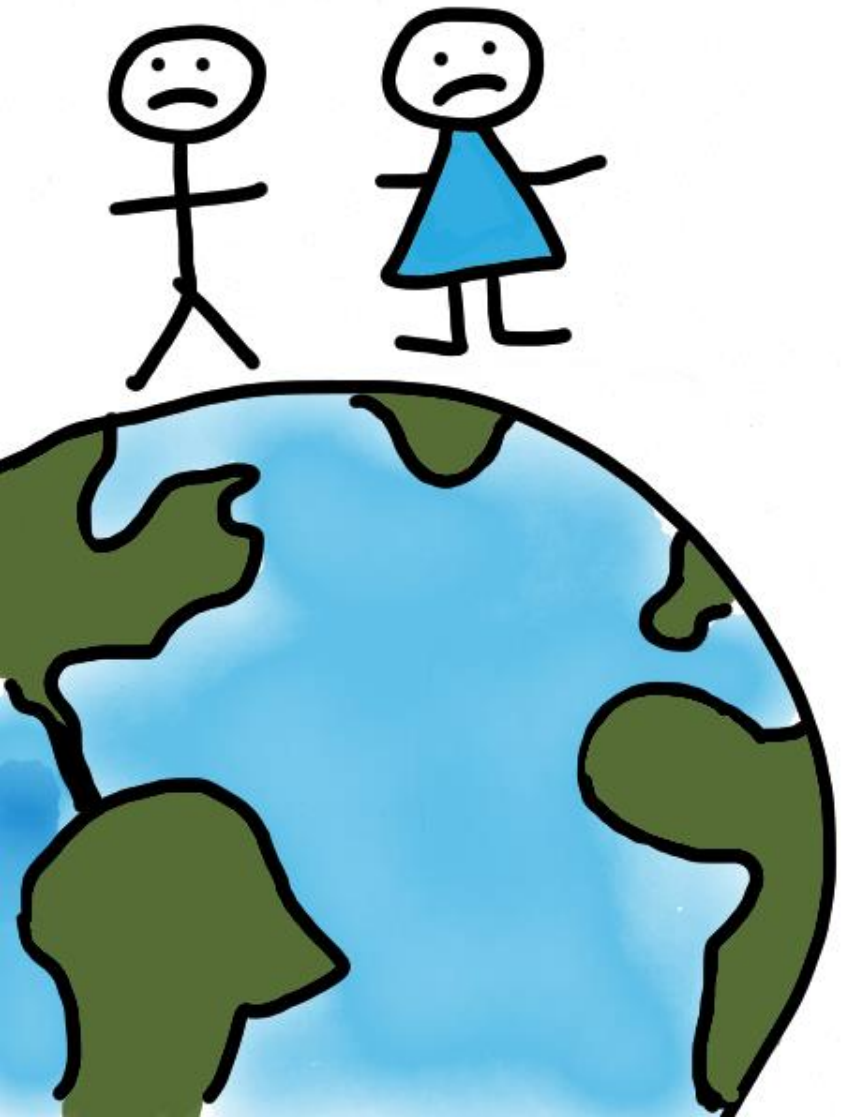


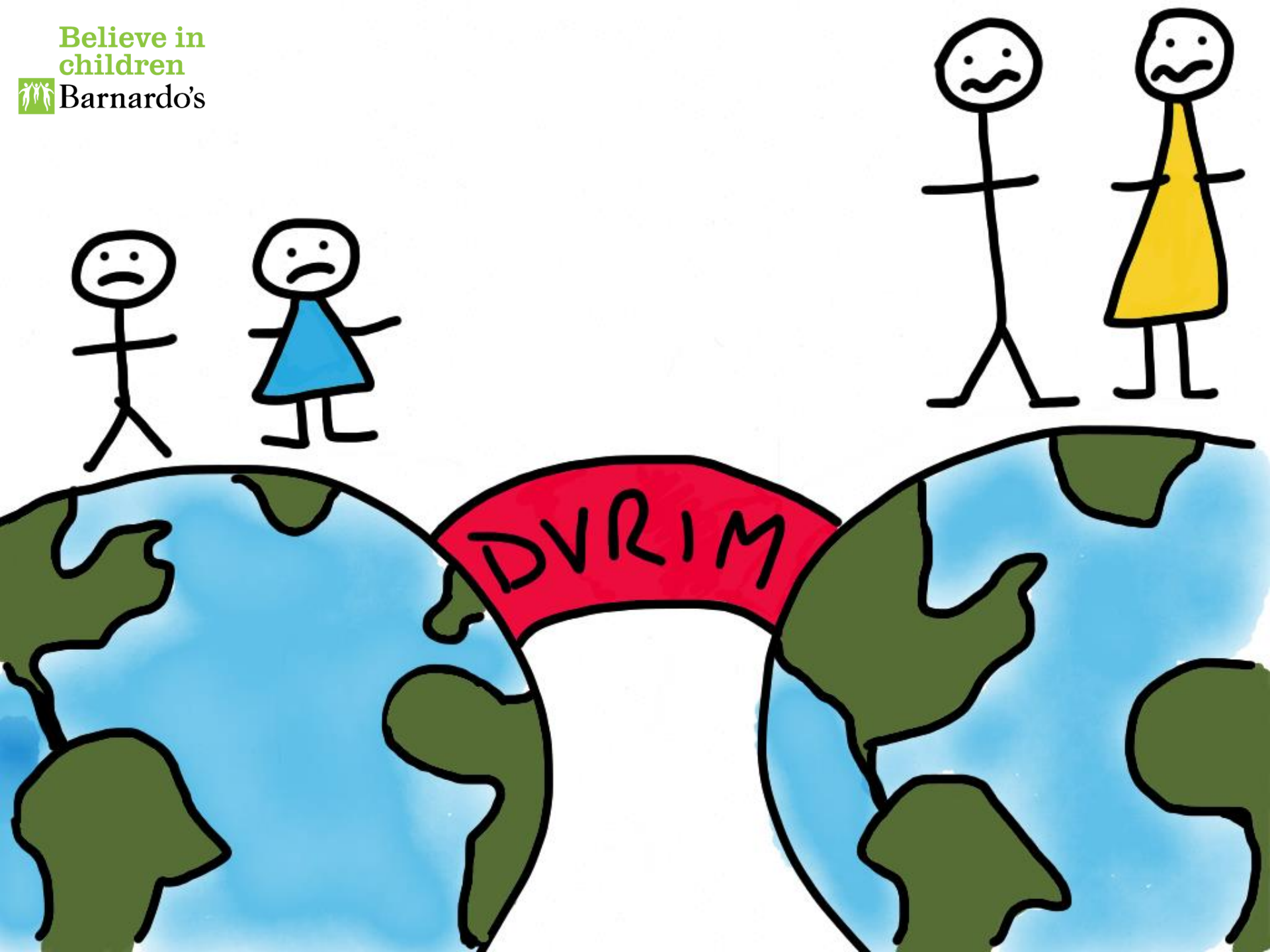




- An introduction to DVRIM
- How it was developed
- How it works
- What are the key challenges and benefits
- What are the key strategies for implementing a multi agency approach using DVRIM

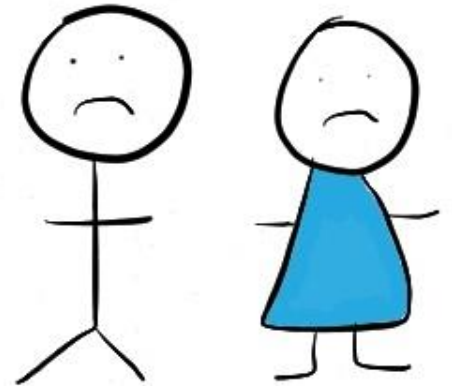






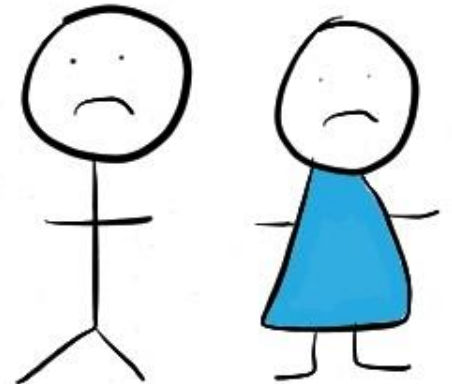
40% - 69%

Overlap between the physical abuse of children and domestic abuse.



15% - 30%

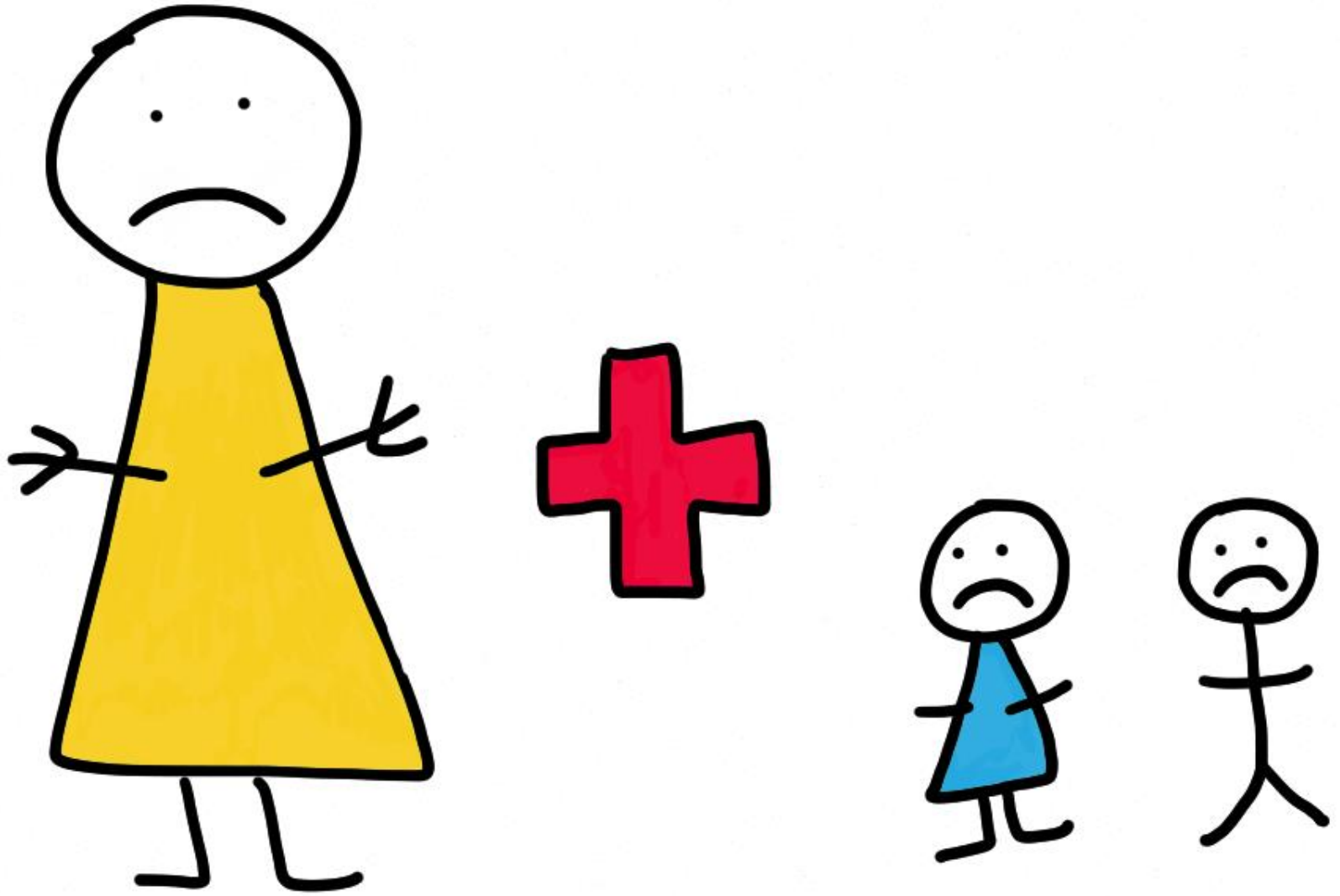
Overlap between the sexual abuse of children and domestic abuse.

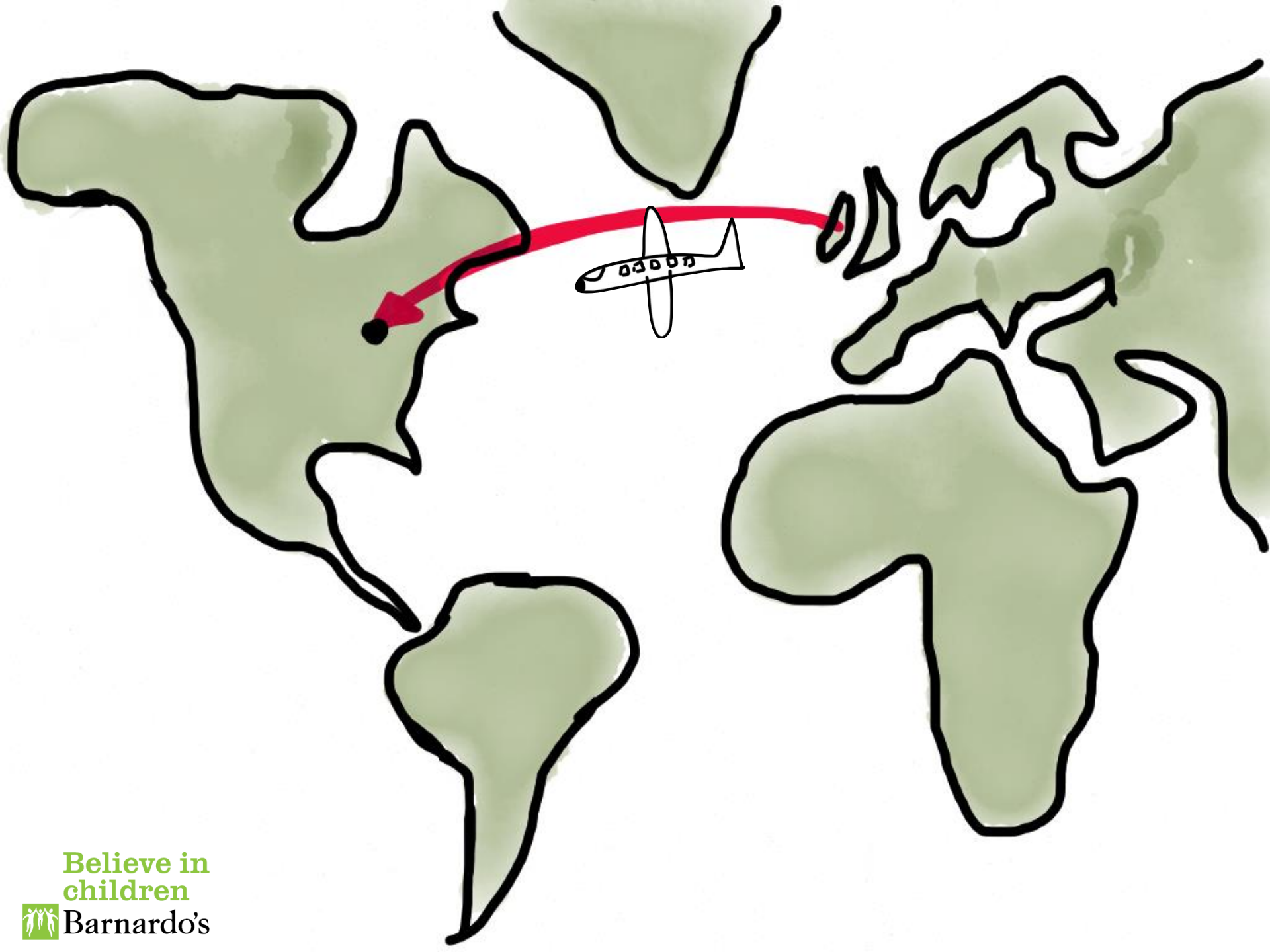


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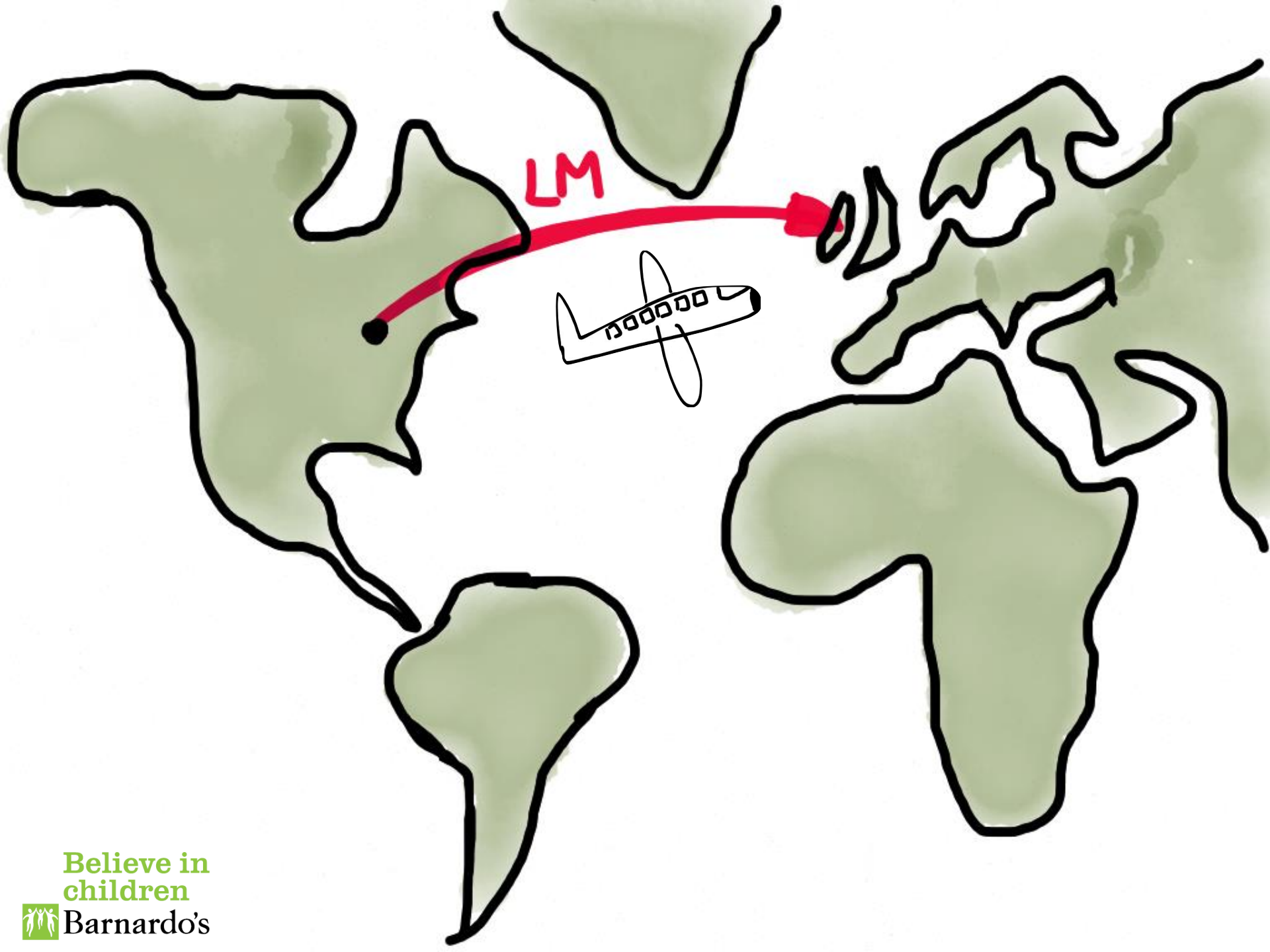




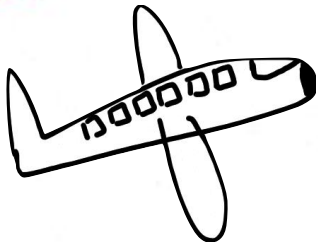
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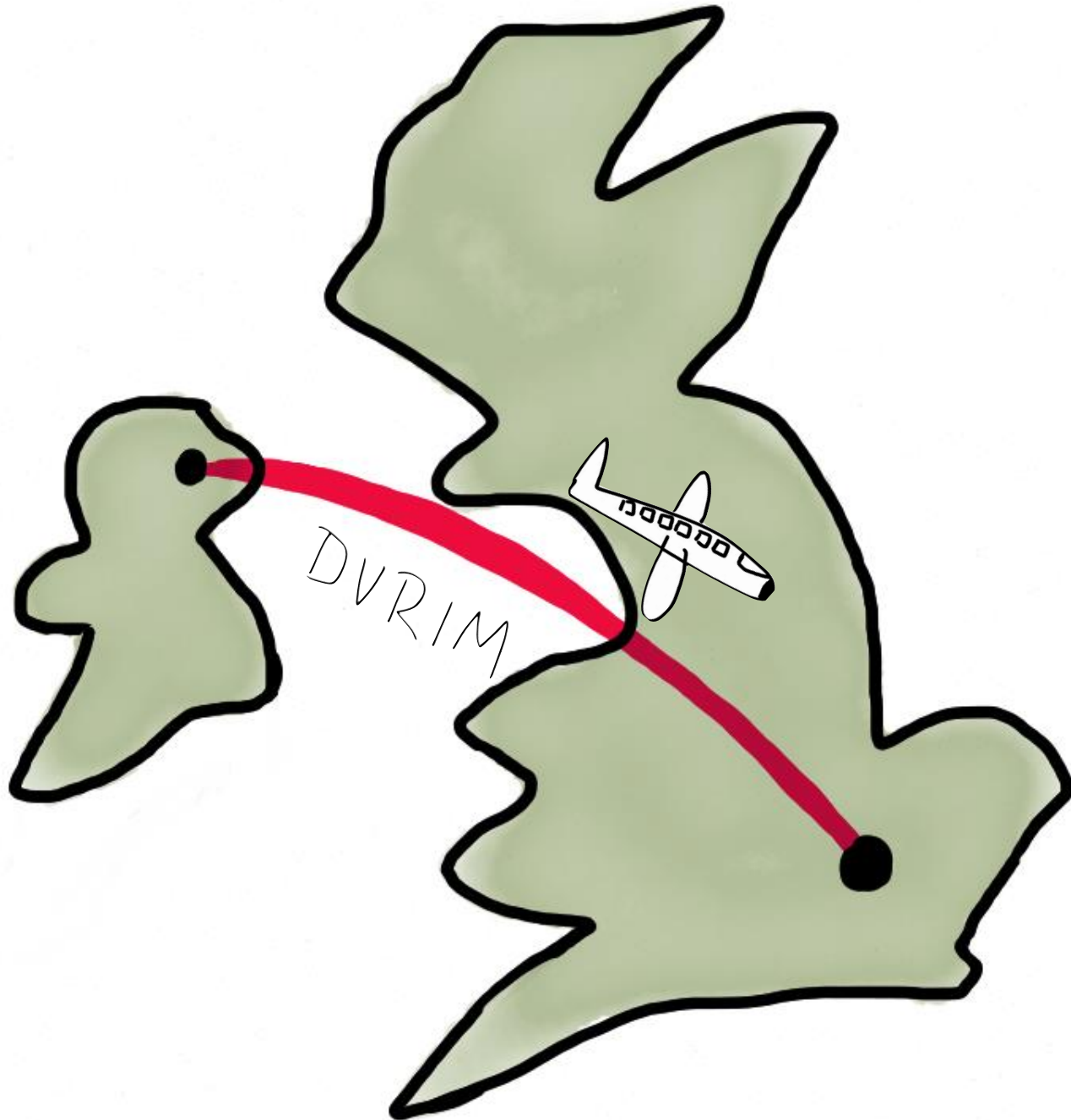


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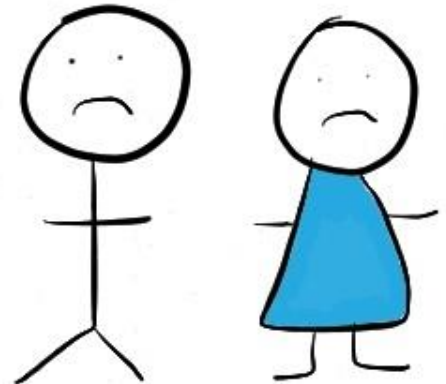
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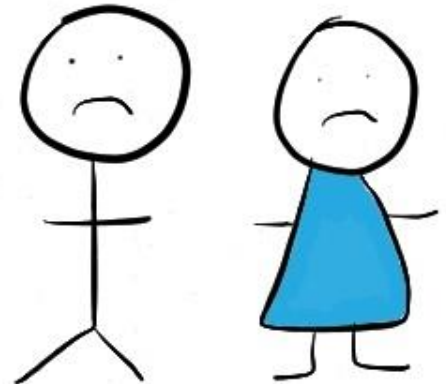
56%

Of their mothers had suffered Domestic Violence



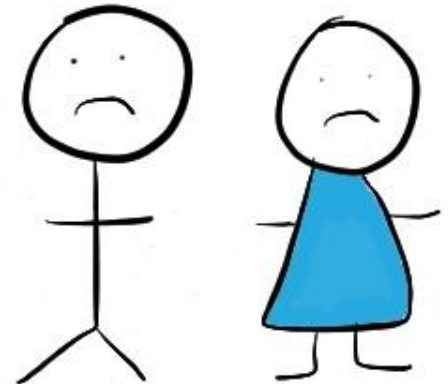
66%

Of the shaken baby cases there was domestic violence



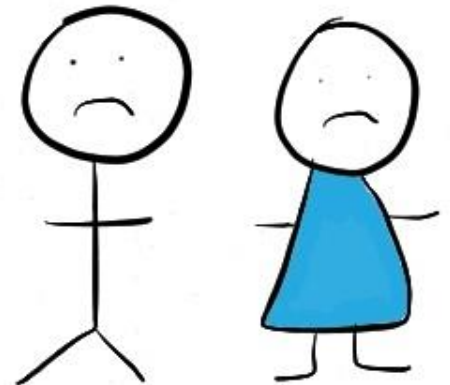
52%

Of Child protection cases involve domestic violence



74%

Of children on the child protection register were living in households with domestic violence present.



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Belfast, NI

Total population – 1.8m

BME population – 32k

BME % - 1.8%



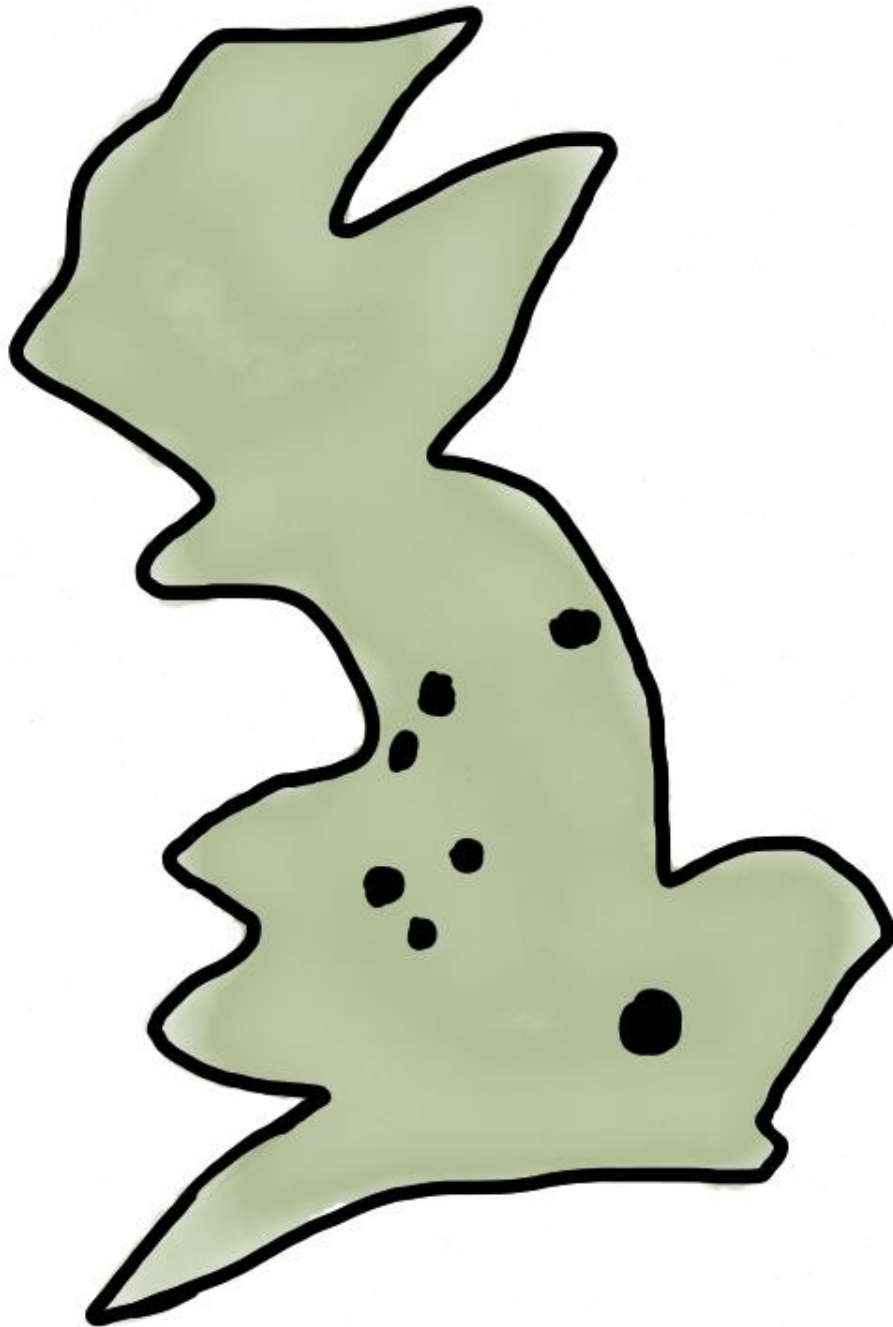
London, England

Total population – 8.2m

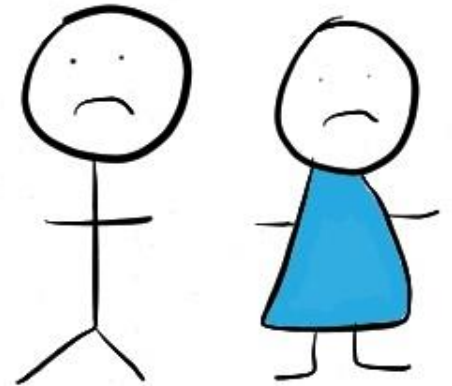
BME population – 4.5m

BME % - 55%

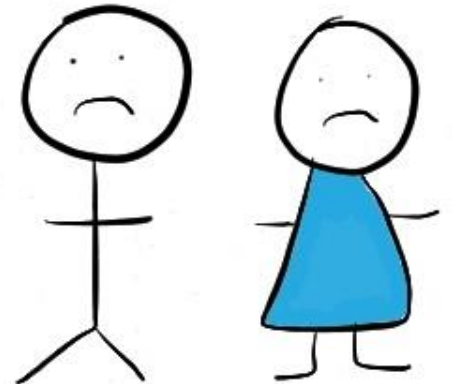




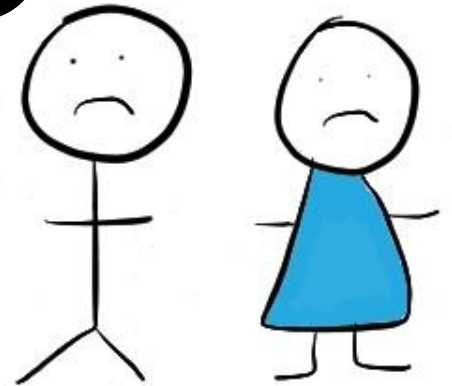
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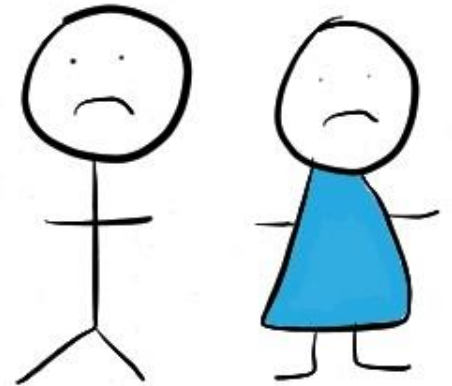
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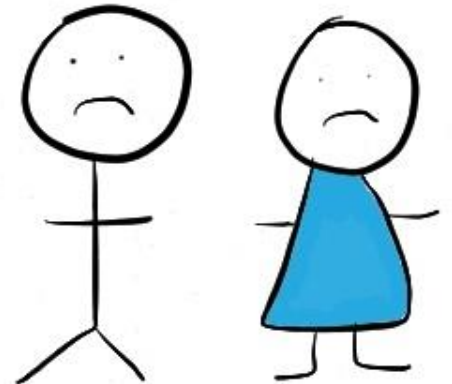
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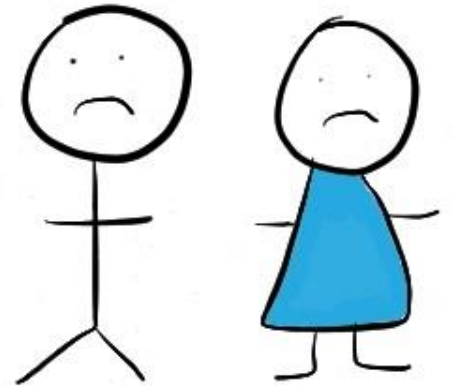
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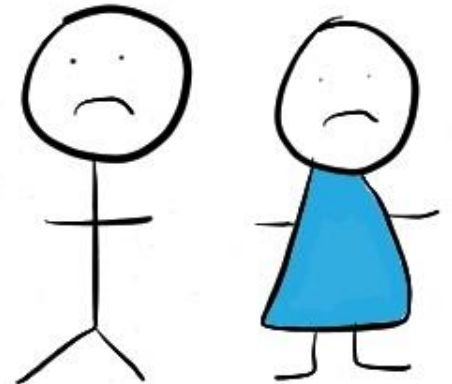
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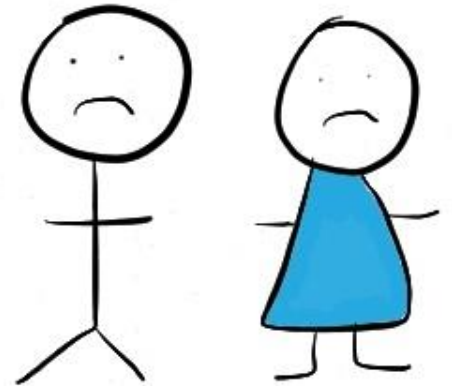
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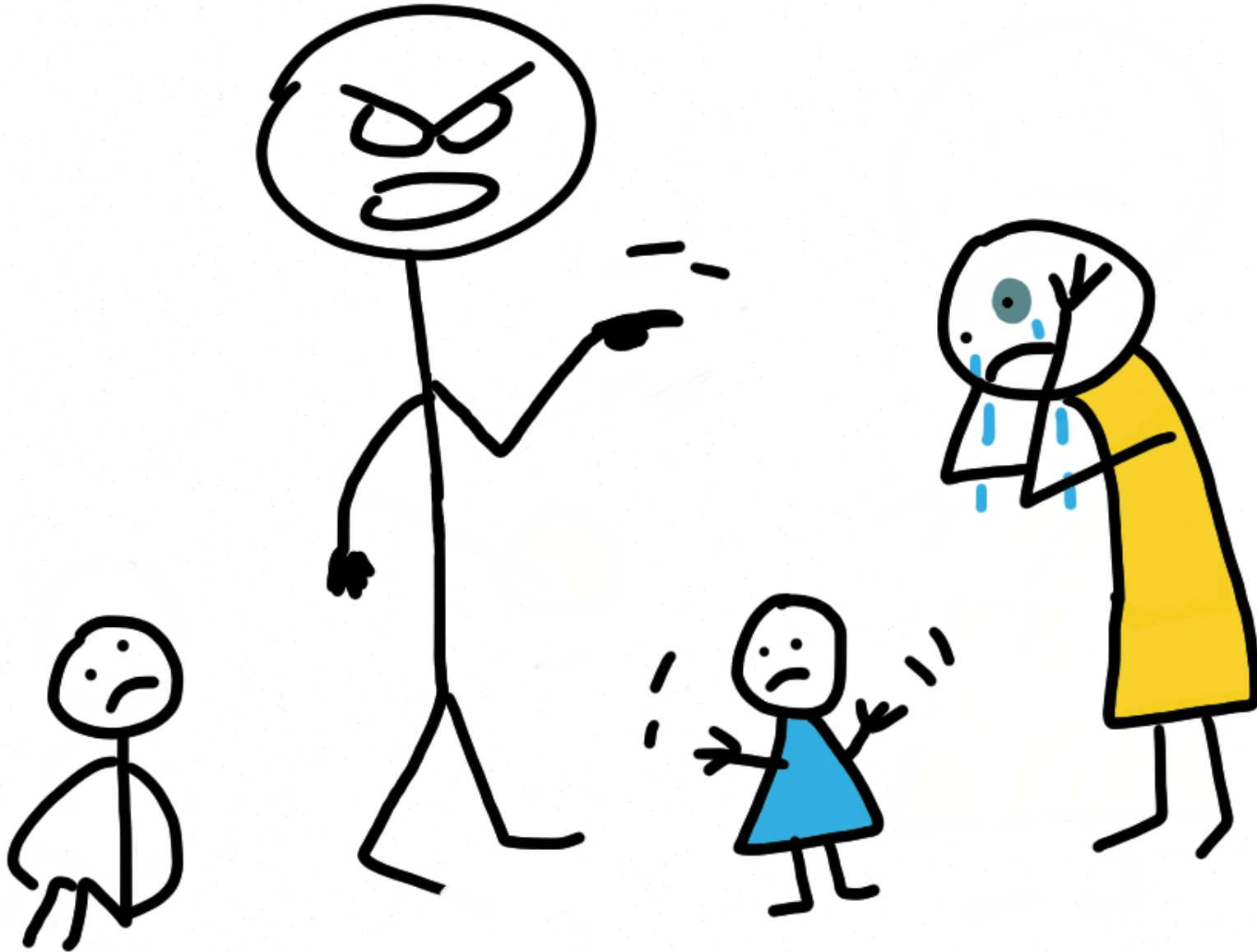
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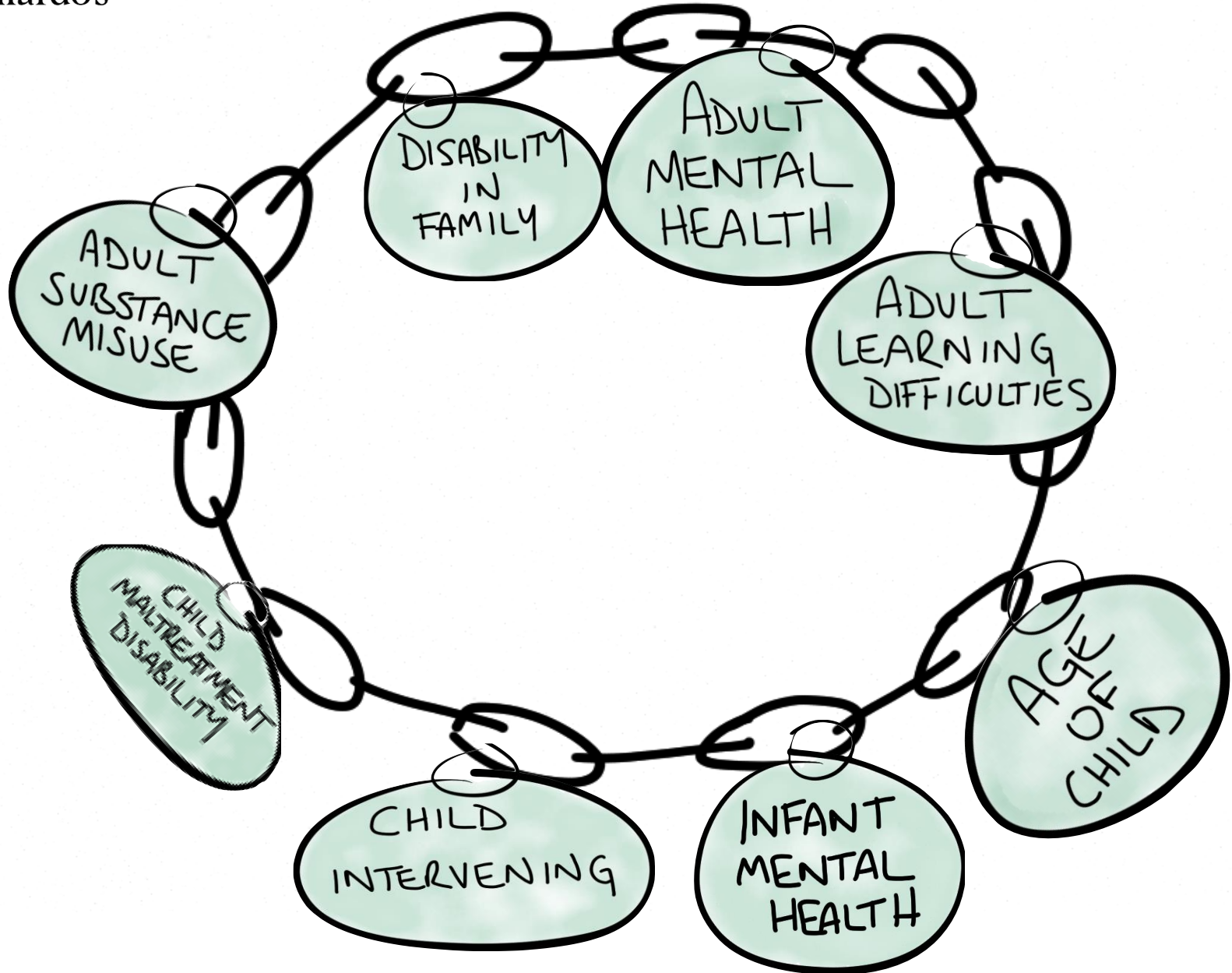


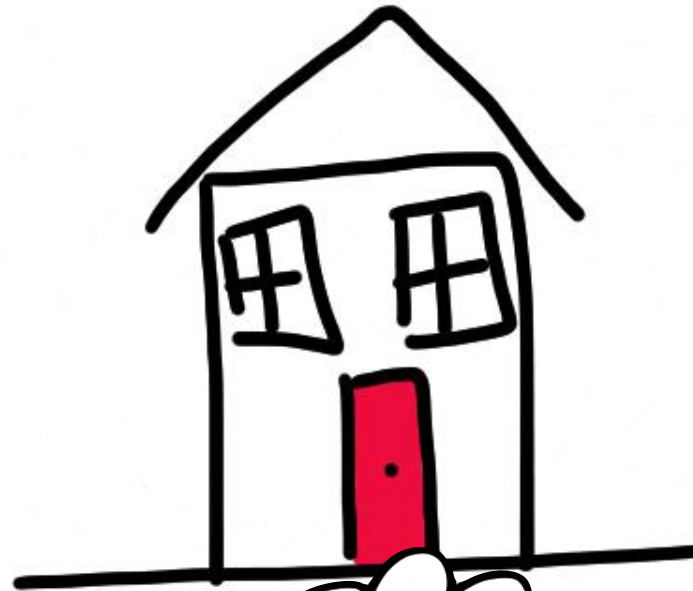
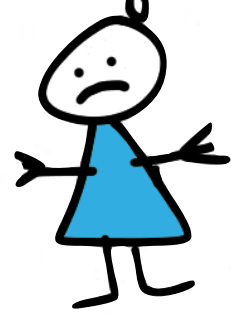
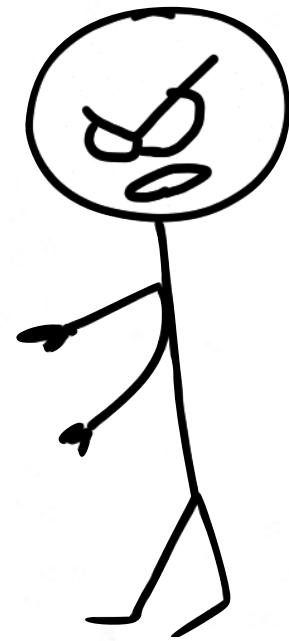
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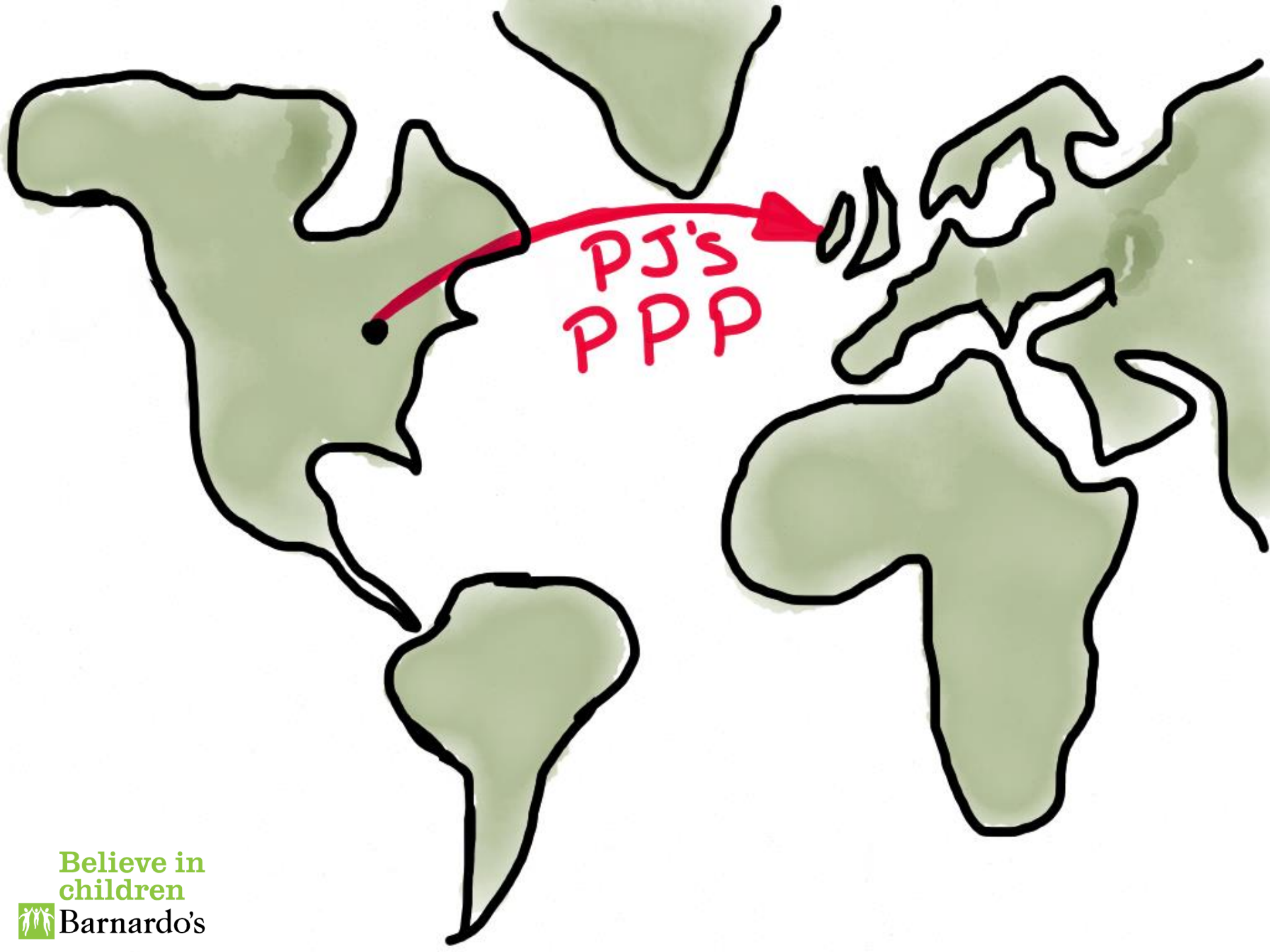


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DEFINITION: Level of risk: Moderate to high
CAT: Level 3 (Threshold of need state with additional needs)

Children & families with additional needs
 Get support from professional agencies
 Children under five or six aged six to seven
 Risk: The danger of adults for whom it is
 not safe to leave children alone

Child's History of Domestic Violence

1 - 3 major incidents of physical violence which were driven to darkness

Father did not seek medical treatment

Isolate verbal abuse

Child's History of Parental Separation

Child was not with father late childhood

Control by abuser is not relaxed

Parenting Difficulties

Child mother relationship is deteriorating protective and stable

Significant abuse in child's life - positive and nurturing relationship

Presence of child was a restraint for the abuser

A lower capacity responsibility for abuse and violence

A lower incidence genuine remorse and a willing to seek support for abusive behaviour

Father has positive support from family friends & community

Father appears emotionally strong (not worn-down by the abuse)

Father sought appropriate support and/or is willing to accept help from other agencies

RACE (Risk, Abuse, Minority, Ethnic Issues) - Areas of concern

Not covered the following questions if they occur...

- 1. Cannot speak, read or write English
- 2. Poor link to 'local' health services
- 3. Lack of social networks
- 4. Live in temporary housing
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- 7. Is living in a close-knit community in London
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Child's History of Domestic Violence

History of severe moderate to high levels of physical violence short duration

Father has sought other support - medical attention not sought

Isolation of father - positive support from family friends & community

Isolate verbal abuse of derogatory

Risk of isolation - control by abuser is not relaxed

Parenting Difficulties

Child was not present in the home during at least 10% of his early years

Physical and/or emotional abuse of children

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DEFINITION: Level of risk: Severe to high
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Children in Need - Children's Services may consider Section 17 but safeguarding interventions may be necessary if threshold of significant harm is reached. Professional case planning
 Children aged under 10 or children with special needs not more than 10% to scale 4

Child's History of Domestic Violence

Incidents of serious and/or possible physical violence in family increasing in severity frequency and duration - history of previous assaults

Verbal and/or other abuse which has led to loss of control - not in fear of father's actions, gestures and behaviour or property protection & psychological control

Building awareness of father's violence - awareness of isolation

Abuse through - control by abuser is not relaxed

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Increased with weapon

Abuser's intention of protective action still evident

Control history of violent past/present, previous aggression, history of past/present behaviour, aggression towards previous partners, family members, other women

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QUESTION: Level of risk: Domestic violence & IPV: Level 1 (Threats of harm only with additional notes)

Victim & abuser with additional notes
 IPV reported since perpetrator stopped reporting
 Victim may have or may not be in contact with abuser
 The perpetrator has stopped the report or that is not why. Contact provider below.

History of Domestic Violence

1 - 3 minor incidents of physical violence which were short in duration
 Victim did not seek medical treatment
 Intense verbal abuse

Is the abuser currently threatening or intimidating?

Child was not threatened with harm
 Control by abuser is not intense

Is there any history of strangulation?

Child neither relationship is strangling, provocative and stable
 Significant other is child's IS - positive and nurturing relationship

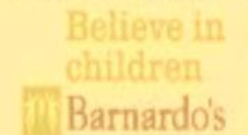
Presence of child who was a witness to the abuse

A learner attempts to consistently be above and visible
 A learner involves positive resources and is willing to seek support for abusive behavior
 Victim has positive support from family, friends & community
 Victim appears to be okay (not worn down by the abuse)
 Victim sought appropriate support and/or is willing to accept help from other agencies

EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) General Assessment of risks

24. Ask yourself the following questions: (10% per Q)
1. Cannot speak, read or write English
 2. Poor but the "Baker" neighbourhood
 3. Lack of strong social networks
 4. Live in temporary housing
 5. Is being taken the priority/role
 6. Has a child who is of a different appearance and culture to them
 7. Is living in a close-knit community in London
 8. Has a perspective on parenting practices unsupported by culture or faith which are not in line with UK law & national norms
 9. Recognise partner's faith or community beliefs as all powerful
 10. Put a very high value on preserving family "honour"
 11. Will you protect...
 12. Is intercultural relation in partner necessary
 13. Has strong allegiance to a group or gang

These are the questions you should refer to in the EMK checklist (understandable) on page 10 of the scale.



QUESTION: Level of risk: Domestic violence & IPV: Level 2 (Threats of harm only with additional notes)

Victim & abuser with additional notes. If Perpetrator has professional support (abuse or other) you're not sure you can take on the case. Ask for a referral to the appropriate agency or the appropriate risk. Contact provider below.

History of Domestic Violence

History of severe moderate incidents of physical violence short duration
 Victim washed minor injuries, medical attention not sought
 Evidence of intimidation, body tagging behavior - posting, slaps, poking, slapping, victim not outwards child's life - destruction of property
 Intense verbal abuse consistent use of derogatory language
 Risk of isolation. Abuser attempts to control victim's activities, movements & contact with others.

Is there any history of strangulation?

Child was not present in the home during an incident but did not directly witness
 Potential health risk of emotional abuse of children.

EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: The flow list

Clearly learns within family - positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not pronounced or serious. Abuser or victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have appropriate resources and are not isolated.

Is there any history of strangulation?

Child neither relationship is strangling, provocative & stable
 In spite of abuse, victim was not provoked from seeing in the face of her child's eye
 Significant other is child's IS - positive and nurturing relationship
 Older children use coping, protective strategies
 Victim attempts to use protective strategies with older children
 Victim is prepared to take advice on safety issues
 Victim has sought help to risks to her child as posed by the abuse
 Victim has positive support from family, friends & community
 Abuser willing to engage in services to address his abusive behavior.

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QUESTION: Level of risk: Domestic violence & IPV: Level 3 (Threats of harm only with additional notes)

Child, not in head. Children's behavior may indicate behavior that is necessary if likelihood of physical harm is marked. Perpetrator case planning. Child may report other type of child's risk with special note that this is marked to mark a

History of Domestic Violence

History of moderate and/or periods of physical violence in family, threatening to severity derogatory and/or abusive. History of previous assaults
 Victim and/or children indicate that they are frightened of abuser - put in fear by looks, actions, gestures and/or use of property, weapons & psychological abuse
 Recent separation - separation separated the children from the abuser
 Seeking involvement of other agencies. Increased risk of isolation
 Abuse through the use of writing, social networking sites
 Abuser threatening but unwilling to provide safety - non-contact orders
 Victim required medical treatment but not sought or explanation for injuries impractical
 Reporting or being at risk of reporting to police authorities
 Intensity of violence over a period of months - moderate duration, frequency
 Threats of harm to children and/or children
 Abuser's jealousy, possessiveness of abuser - threatening to isolation
 Presence of violence mediated by abuser
 Abuser has history of violent violence in previous relationships.

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 Abuser willing to engage in services to address his abusive behavior.

History of childhood abuse derogatory childhood experiences - abuse not serious
 Children have present in extended family/tribe - not appropriate for victim isolation
 Recent life events above below - a recognized, financial problem above below
 EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: The flow list
 Clearly learns within family - positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not pronounced or serious. Abuser or victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have appropriate resources and are not isolated.

QUESTION: Level of risk: Domestic violence & IPV: Level 4 (Threats of harm only with additional notes)

Child, not in head. Children's behavior may indicate behavior that is necessary if likelihood of physical harm is marked. Perpetrator case planning. Child may report other type of child's risk with special note that this is marked to mark a

History of Domestic Violence

History of moderate and/or periods of physical violence in family, threatening to severity derogatory and/or abusive. History of previous assaults
 Victim and/or children indicate that they are frightened of abuser - put in fear by looks, actions, gestures and/or use of property, weapons & psychological abuse
 Recent separation - separation separated the children from the abuser
 Seeking involvement of other agencies. Increased risk of isolation
 Abuse through the use of writing, social networking sites
 Abuser threatening but unwilling to provide safety - non-contact orders
 Victim required medical treatment but not sought or explanation for injuries impractical
 Reporting or being at risk of reporting to police authorities
 Intensity of violence over a period of months - moderate duration, frequency
 Threats of harm to children and/or children
 Abuser's jealousy, possessiveness of abuser - threatening to isolation
 Presence of violence mediated by abuser
 Abuser has history of violent violence in previous relationships.

Is there any history of strangulation?

Victim is not present in the home during an incident but did not directly witness
 Potential health risk of emotional abuse of children.
 EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: The flow list
 Clearly learns within family - positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not pronounced or serious. Abuser or victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have appropriate resources and are not isolated.

Is there any history of strangulation?

Child neither relationship is strangling, provocative & stable
 In spite of abuse, victim was not provoked from seeing in the face of her child's eye
 Significant other is child's IS - positive and nurturing relationship
 Older children use coping, protective strategies
 Victim attempts to use protective strategies with older children
 Victim is prepared to take advice on safety issues
 Victim has sought help to risks to her child as posed by the abuse
 Victim has positive support from family, friends & community
 Abuser willing to engage in services to address his abusive behavior.

History of childhood abuse derogatory childhood experiences - abuse not serious
 Children have present in extended family/tribe - not appropriate for victim isolation
 Recent life events above below - a recognized, financial problem above below
 EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: The flow list
 Clearly learns within family - positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not pronounced or serious. Abuser or victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have appropriate resources and are not isolated.

QUESTION: Level of risk: Domestic violence & IPV: Level 5 (Threats of harm only with additional notes)

Child, not in head. Children's behavior may indicate behavior that is necessary if likelihood of physical harm is marked. Perpetrator case planning. Child may report other type of child's risk with special note that this is marked to mark a

History of Domestic Violence

History of moderate and/or periods of physical violence in family, threatening to severity derogatory and/or abusive. History of previous assaults
 Victim and/or children indicate that they are frightened of abuser - put in fear by looks, actions, gestures and/or use of property, weapons & psychological abuse
 Recent separation - separation separated the children from the abuser
 Seeking involvement of other agencies. Increased risk of isolation
 Abuse through the use of writing, social networking sites
 Abuser threatening but unwilling to provide safety - non-contact orders
 Victim required medical treatment but not sought or explanation for injuries impractical
 Reporting or being at risk of reporting to police authorities
 Intensity of violence over a period of months - moderate duration, frequency
 Threats of harm to children and/or children
 Abuser's jealousy, possessiveness of abuser - threatening to isolation
 Presence of violence mediated by abuser
 Abuser has history of violent violence in previous relationships.

Is there any history of strangulation?

Victim is not present in the home during an incident but did not directly witness
 Potential health risk of emotional abuse of children.
 EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: The flow list
 Clearly learns within family - positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not pronounced or serious. Abuser or victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have appropriate resources and are not isolated.

Is there any history of strangulation?

Child neither relationship is strangling, provocative & stable
 In spite of abuse, victim was not provoked from seeing in the face of her child's eye
 Significant other is child's IS - positive and nurturing relationship
 Older children use coping, protective strategies
 Victim attempts to use protective strategies with older children
 Victim is prepared to take advice on safety issues
 Victim has sought help to risks to her child as posed by the abuse
 Victim has positive support from family, friends & community
 Abuser willing to engage in services to address his abusive behavior.

History of childhood abuse derogatory childhood experiences - abuse not serious
 Children have present in extended family/tribe - not appropriate for victim isolation
 Recent life events above below - a recognized, financial problem above below
 EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: The flow list
 Clearly learns within family - positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not pronounced or serious. Abuser or victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have appropriate resources and are not isolated.

QUESTION: Level of risk: Domestic violence & IPV: Level 6 (Threats of harm only with additional notes)

Child, not in head. Children's behavior may indicate behavior that is necessary if likelihood of physical harm is marked. Perpetrator case planning. Child may report other type of child's risk with special note that this is marked to mark a

History of Domestic Violence

History of moderate and/or periods of physical violence in family, threatening to severity derogatory and/or abusive. History of previous assaults
 Victim and/or children indicate that they are frightened of abuser - put in fear by looks, actions, gestures and/or use of property, weapons & psychological abuse
 Recent separation - separation separated the children from the abuser
 Seeking involvement of other agencies. Increased risk of isolation
 Abuse through the use of writing, social networking sites
 Abuser threatening but unwilling to provide safety - non-contact orders
 Victim required medical treatment but not sought or explanation for injuries impractical
 Reporting or being at risk of reporting to police authorities
 Intensity of violence over a period of months - moderate duration, frequency
 Threats of harm to children and/or children
 Abuser's jealousy, possessiveness of abuser - threatening to isolation
 Presence of violence mediated by abuser
 Abuser has history of violent violence in previous relationships.

Is there any history of strangulation?

Victim is not present in the home during an incident but did not directly witness
 Potential health risk of emotional abuse of children.
 EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: The flow list
 Clearly learns within family - positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not pronounced or serious. Abuser or victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have appropriate resources and are not isolated.

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 Abuser willing to engage in services to address his abusive behavior.

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 Children have present in extended family/tribe - not appropriate for victim isolation
 Recent life events above below - a recognized, financial problem above below
 EMK (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: The flow list
 Clearly learns within family - positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not pronounced or serious. Abuser or victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have appropriate resources and are not isolated.



Scale 3

DEFINITION: Level of risk: Domestic Violence 3
CAF Level 3 Threshold of need state with complex needs

Definers & Assessor will address needs that require high professional support. Definers take responsibility for defining needs. The Assessor will define the risk in the early. Consider previous history.

CAF Threshold of Concern

2 - A minor incidence of physical violence which was identified in domestic violence risk assessment.

Definers did not seek medical assistance.

Definers verbal abuse.

DEFINITION: Domestic Violence 3

Child has been asked to leave the household.

Control by abuser is not intense.

DEFINITION: Domestic Violence 3

Child neither restrained by a restraining procedure or state.

Aggravated other to child's life - previous and emerging relationships.

Presence of child has not a concern for the abuser.

Definers take responsibility for defining needs. The Assessor will define the risk in the early. Consider previous history.

Definers did not seek medical assistance.

Definers verbal abuse.

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CAF Threshold of Concern

History of severe moderate incidents of physical violence about domestic violence.

Definers did not seek medical assistance.

Definers verbal abuse.

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Barnardo's Domestic Violence Risk Identification Matrix

DEFINITION: Level of risk: Domestic Violence 3
CAF Level 3 Threshold of need state with complex needs

Child/ren in Need. Children's services may consider Section 17 but safeguarding interventions may be necessary if threshold of significant harm is reached. Professional case planning. Child/ren aged under 17/16 or children with special needs can raise threshold to scale 4

DEFINITION: Domestic Violence 3

Incidents of serious and/or persistent physical violence in family, increasing to severity therapy and/or forensic - history of previous assaults.

Victim and/or children indicate that they are frightened of abuser - put in fear by looks, actions, gestures and intrusion of privacy uninvited & unexplained about sexual alignment - repeated separate incidents involving or in the context.

Building harassment of mother's children - increased risk of isolation.

Abuse through the use of limiting social networking sites.

Abuse resulting but could be considered protective unless - non-actual orders.

Victim requires medical treatment but not sought or explanation for injuries implausible.

Requiring or frequent requests for police intervention.

Incidents of violence occur in presence of children - consider duration or presence.

Threats of harm to mother and/or children.

Known to be jointly possessive of abuser - diminishing to relationship.

Financial control maintained by abuser.

Abuser has history of domestic violence in previous relationships.

Risk factors/Protective vulnerabilities

Mental health issues - abuser and/or victim raise concerns.

Substance abuse by abuser and/or victim raises concerns.

Abuser's and/or victim's inability to access mental health support.

Strong likelihood of emotional abuse of child/ren - may display behavioural problems.

Child/ren unable to articulate safety strategies due to fear or trauma caused by abuse.

Lack of risk recognition other than a positive support to child.

Child contact issues - discuss abuse occurring at contact.

Other children's, additional - increased risk of believing to abuse and emerging concerns to self-harm.

Abuser suspected of using physical abuse towards child/ren.

Abuser shows lack of insight equally into how his behaviour affects child/ren/victim.

Abuser's minimisation of abuse lack of remorse/guilt.

Abuser is big threat/victim ignores. Family unit has step-children.

Abuser's abuse of power/inequality used to intimidate.

Emerging concerns about emotional stability of abuser's relationship with child/ren, limited parenting capacity & lack of protective abilities.

Emerging concerns about emotional stability of child/mother relationship/parenting capacity and protective concerns.

Emerging concerns about emotional and physical health/mental health appointments/parenting conditions.

Abuser's use of violence/intimidation to engage to services increases risk level to child/ren.

Victim fears statutory services - avoidance & resistance to engage increases risk to child/ren.

DEFINITION: Domestic Violence 3

Child is not restrained by a restraining procedure or state.

Aggravated other to child's life - previous and emerging relationships.

Presence of child has not a concern for the abuser.

Definers take responsibility for defining needs. The Assessor will define the risk in the early. Consider previous history.

Protective factors

Other child/ren use protective strategies.

Victim will seek positive support from significant other.

Victim - attempts to use protective strategies but abuser's violence & control is taking.

Victim will engage with supportive services and seek safety advice - be alert to abuser's social networking with her level of involvement in engage.

DEFINITION: Level of risk: Domestic Violence 3
CAF Level 3 Threshold of need state with complex needs

Child is none of Protection. Children's services consider if Section 47 enquiry and risk assessment. Home visits as required. Children may be at risk of being 'broken after'.

DEFINITION: Domestic Violence 3

Repeated serious and/or severe physical violence - all threatening violence. Attention to the frequency, duration and severity of violent behaviour/children at great risk.

Abuse through the use of limiting social networking sites.

Abuse resulting but could be considered protective unless - non-actual orders.

Victim requires medical treatment but not sought or explanation for injuries implausible.

Requiring or frequent requests for police intervention.

Incidents of violence occur in presence of children - consider duration or presence.

Threats of harm to mother and/or children.

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Aggravated other to child's life - previous and emerging relationships.

Presence of child has not a concern for the abuser.

Definers take responsibility for defining needs. The Assessor will define the risk in the early. Consider previous history.

Protective factors

Other child/ren use protective strategies.

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Victim - attempts to use protective strategies but abuser's violence & control is taking.

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PROTECTIVE: Level of risk Moderate to low
C.A.P. Level 1 Threshold of need child with additional needs.

Child has a brother with additional needs
 GP requires steps for brother support
 Child has older brother who is autistic
 Note: The mother is autistic the father is not in her ability to care for her children

Risk Factors of Domestic Violence **T 1**

1. A history incidents of physical violence which were short in duration
 Victim did not seek medical treatment
 Increase verbal abuse

Risk Factors Potential Vulnerabilities **T 1**

Child not seen not three into contact
 Controlled by abuser is not release

Protective Factors **T 1**

Child mother relationship is positive, protective and stable
 Significant other in child's life - positive and nurturing relationship
 Presence of child not was a restraint for the abuser
 A lower anxiety susceptibility for abuse and violence
 A lower tolerance for abuse and is willing to seek support for abusive behaviour
 Victim has positive support from family friends & community
 Victim appears emotionally strong (not worn-down by the abuse)
 Victim sought appropriate support and/or is willing to accept help from other agencies

EMC (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: Address all needs

- 1. All present the following questions: (check each one)
 - 1. Cannot speak, read or write English
 - 2. Does not know the value of money
 - 3. Lacks strong social networks
 - 4. Lives in temporary housing
 - 5. Is living below the poverty line
 - 6. Has a child who is of a different appearance and culture to them
 - 7. Is living in a slow-growth community in London
- 2. Has a perspective on parenting practices undervalued by culture or faith which we act in line with UK law & national norms
- 3. Recognises father's role in community as well as parents
- 4. Make a very high value on preserving family honour and it's the young person...
 - 1) is inappropriate to involve in his/her sexuality
 - 2) has strong allegiance to a group or gang

See and follow the guidance, available for all EMC workers, available for the 10000 workers

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Risk Factors of Domestic Violence **T 2**

History of abuse moderate to high of physical violence short duration
 Victim needed minor injuries medical attention not sought
 Release of the abuser, not fully the abuser - pushing danger putting abuser's victim but not severely distressed - destruction of property

Risk Factors Potential Vulnerabilities **T 2**

Child not seen not three into contact
 Risk of isolation - Abuser attempts to control mother's activities, movements & contact with others

Risk Factors Potential Vulnerabilities **T 2**

Child not seen present in the home during all incidents but not fully engaged
 Potential threat of emotional abuse of children
EMC (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: Address all needs
 Identify issues which face positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not protected or accessed. Abuser's victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have supportive networks but not fully engaged

Protective Factors **T 2**

Child mother relationship is positive, protective & stable
 In spite of abuse, victim was not prevented from seeing in the best of her child's best
 Significant other in child's life - positive and nurturing relationship
 Older child not use coping positive strategies
 Victim attempted to use protective strategies with other child not
 Victim is prepared to take advice on safety issues
 Victim has sought help to the risks to her child was posed by the abuser
 Victim has positive support from family friends and community
 Abuser willing to engage in services to address his abusive behaviour

EMC (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: Address all needs

Barnardo's Domestic Violence Risk Identification Matrix

PROTECTIVE: Level of risk Moderate to low
C.A.P. Level 1 Threshold of need child with complex needs.

Child not in need. Child's 5th birthday may enable Section 17 but safeguarding teams advise may be necessary if threshold of children's harm is reached. Protective plan planning Child not aged under 17 or children with special needs over than threshold 6 weeks 4

Risk Factors of Domestic Violence **T 3**

Incidents of domestic violence at physical violence is fairly increasing in severity frequency and/or duration - history of previous assaults
 Victim and/or children indicate that they are distressed/abused - put in fear by looks, actions, gestures and destruction of property unobserved & perceived but abuse is based on silence - repeated unprovoked verbal abuse or being in a violent mood
 Building tension of verbal abuse - increased risk of isolation
 Abuse through the use of leading social networking sites

Risk Factors Potential Vulnerabilities **T 3**

Abuser increasing his social media presence - not contact others
 Victim reported medical treatment not sought or explanation for injuries explained
 Reversing or trying to respond for police intervention
 Incidents of violence occur in presence of children - number duration / frequency
 Threats of harm to mother and/or children
 Abuser's primary involvement with abuser - diminishing to total isolation
 Physical control established by abuser
 Abuser has history of domestic violence in previous relationships

Risk Factors Potential Vulnerabilities **T 3**

Mental health issues - abuser and/or victim raise concerns
 Substance abuse by abuser and/or victim raise concerns
 Abuser's and/or victim's inability to access appropriate services
 Older children in domestic violence - increased risk of witnessing to abuse and using coping strategies in self harm
 Abuser suspected of using physical abuse towards children
 Abuser shows lack of insight/empathy into how his behaviour affects children/victim
 Abuser's minimisation of abuse/lack of remorse/guilt
 Abuser is lying through his teeth - family not see signs of things
 Abuser's abuse of power/ status used to intimidate
 Emerging concerns about emotional stability of abuser's relationship with child not limited parenting capacity & lack of protective instincts
 Emerging concerns about emotional stability of child/mother relationship (parenting capacity and protective concerns)
 Emerging concerns of neglect of children's emotional and physical needs around health appointments/parenting responsibilities
 Abuser's use of substance/misuse in engage to serious concerns risk level to children
 Victim fears statutory services - avoidance & resistance to engage increased risk to child not
 Family isolated neighbours reports concerns in their children's
 Victim has experienced domestic violence in previous relationships

EMC (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: Address all needs

Identifying learning difficulties/abuse and/or victim raise concerns
 Identify issues which family - isolation
 Age appropriate of abuser/victim - older to seek targeted support with personal vulnerabilities
 History of childhood abuse/trauma childhood experience - abuse and/or victim
 Cultural issues present in assessed families/trauma - not supportive for victim's children
 Recent life events since before - i.e. unemployment, financial problems, illness, death

Protective Factors **T 3**

Older children use protective strategies
 Victim will seek positive support from significant other
 Victim - attempts to use protective strategies but abuser's violence & control is too much
 Victim will engage with appropriate services and seek safety advice - be alert to abuser's control/interfering with her level of involvement to engage

PROTECTIVE: Level of risk Severe to high
C.A.P. Level 4 Threshold of need child with acute needs - at risk of being a victim after child.

Child is not in need - Child's 5th birthday may enable Section 17 but safeguarding teams advise may be necessary if threshold of children's harm is reached. Protective plan planning Child not aged under 17 or children with special needs over than threshold 6 weeks 4

Risk Factors of Domestic Violence **T 4**

Repeated serious and/or severe physical violence - An escalating violence situation to the degree, duration and severity of incidents behaviour children is posed in
 Involvement with weapons
 Abuser's violation of protective order or child protection order
 Criminal history of abuser, past/present convictions, previous 4 aggressive history or a criminal behaviour appearance towards previous partners/family members, military service, stalking
 Increase stalking/harassment behaviour of abuser - increased risk of isolation
 Increasing or repeated requests for police intervention
 Victim requires treatment for injuries sustained - Medical attention required but not sought or ignored/explained in detail
 Threats to kill or seriously injure victim and/or children
 Victim is very frightened of abuser - tolerance levels of tolerance - retaliatory violence a concern
 Victim is too severely intimidated may present as submissive - worn down by abuse
 Victim is pregnant/victim is abuser is pregnant/permanently separated with one baby make not level

Risk Factors Potential Vulnerabilities **T 4**

Child not seen present in the home during all incidents but not fully engaged
 Potential threat of emotional abuse of children
EMC (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: Address all needs
 Identify issues which face positive support networks
 Mental health issues - not protected or accessed. Abuser's victim seeking appropriate help
 Age of abuser and/or victim - both have supportive networks but not fully engaged
 Victim sought appropriate support and/or is willing to accept help from other agencies
 Child not seen present in the home during all incidents but not fully engaged
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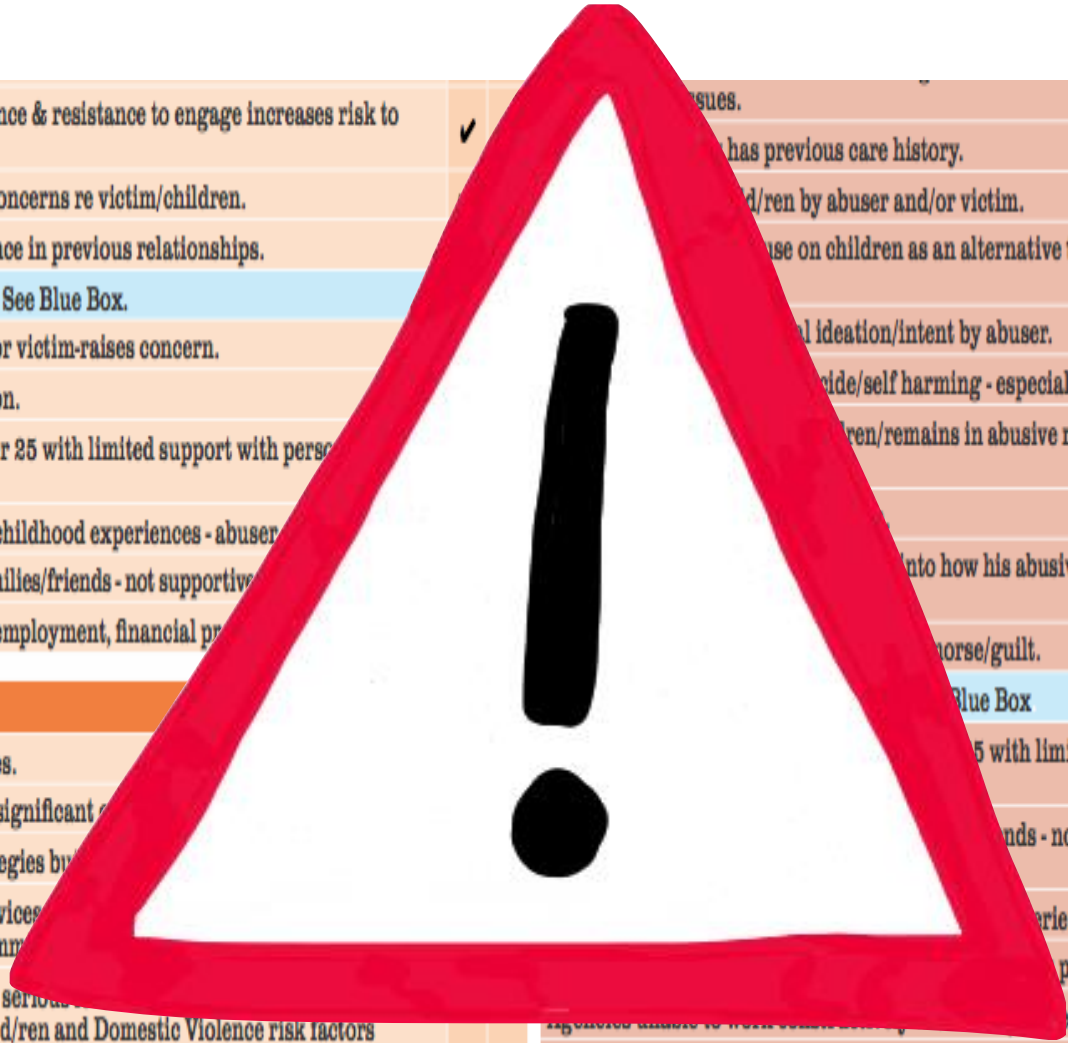
Risk Factors Potential Vulnerabilities **T 4**

Mental health issues - abuser and/or victim - raise significant concerns
 Substance abuse by abuser and/or victim - raise significant concerns
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 History of childhood abuse/trauma childhood experience - abuse and/or victim
 Cultural issues present in assessed families/trauma - not supportive for victim's children
 Recent life events since before - i.e. unemployment, financial problems, illness, death



Faith & Culture Safeguarding Children Checklist





Victim fears statutory services - avoidance & resistance to engage increases risk to children.	✓	Issues.		
Family/Relatives/neighbours reports concerns re victim/children.		has previous care history.		
Victim has experienced domestic violence in previous relationships.		child/ren by abuser and/or victim.		
BME (Black, Minority, Ethnic) Issues: See Blue Box.		use on children as an alternative to harsher physical abuse by		
Adult learning difficulties-abuser and/or victim-raises concern.		al ideation/intent by abuser.	✓	
Disability issues within family - isolation.		icide/self harming - especially BME victims.		
Age disparities of Abuser/Victim - under 25 with limited support with personal vulnerabilities.		child/ren/remains in abusive relationship, protection orders not		
History of childhood abuse/disruptive childhood experiences - abuser		into how his abusive behaviour is affecting child/	✓	
Collusion issues present in extended families/friends - not supportive		deny/negate/nurse/guilt.	✓	
Recent life crises/stress factors - i.e unemployment, financial problems		Blue Box		
Protective factors		under 25 with limited support with personal	✓	
Older child/ren use protective strategies.		friends - not supportive for victim and	✓	
Victim will seek positive support from significant others		experiences abuser and/or victim.	✓	
Victim - attempts to use protective strategies by		professionals.	✓	
Victim will engage with supportive services		'Assessment Paralysis'.	✓	
Control interfering with her level of communication		Abuser/victim use of avoidance/resistance to engage - misuse of complaints procedures.		
Limited protective factors are present - serious physical/sexual				
abuse of victim, emotional abuse of child/ren and Domestic Violence risk factors predict recidivism.				
Use of kinship placements as a protective factor - be alert to domestic violence having occurred or occurring in extended families.	✓			
Protective factors: See Scale 3.				Y S

Abuser's use of avoidance/resistance to engage in services increases risk level to children.	✓	
Victim fears statutory services - avoidance & resistance to engage increases risk to children.	✓	
Family/Relatives/neighbours reports concern about victim/children.	✓	
Victim has experienced domestic violence in previous relationships.	✓	
BME (Black, Minority, Ethnic)		
Adult learning difficulties and/or victim-raises children.		
Disability issues within family - isolation.		
Age disparities of Abuser and victim - under 25 with limited support and personal vulnerabilities.	✓	
History of child abuse in family.	✓	
Collusion issues with family members.	✓	
Recent life changes.		
Protective factors	Y	S
Older child/relative		
Victim will see		✓
Victim - attempts to use protective strategies but abuser's violent control is intense.		✓
Victim will engage with statutory services and seek safety but be alert to abuser's control interfering with help-seeking commitment to engage.		✓
Limited protective factors are present and psychological abuse of victim, emotional abuse and substance use are present and predict recidivism.		✓
Use of kinship placements as a protective factor - be alert to domestic violence having occurred or occurring in extended families.		✓

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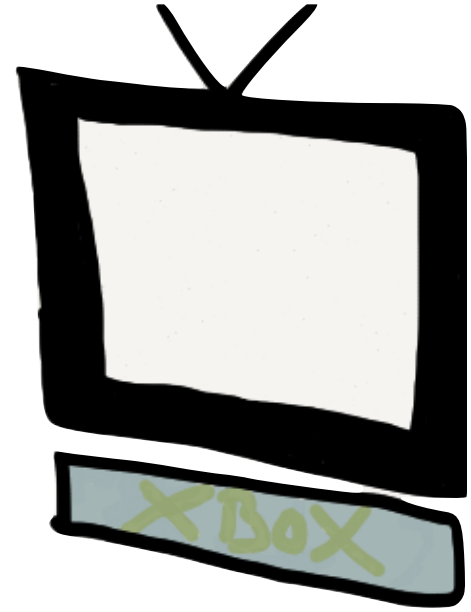


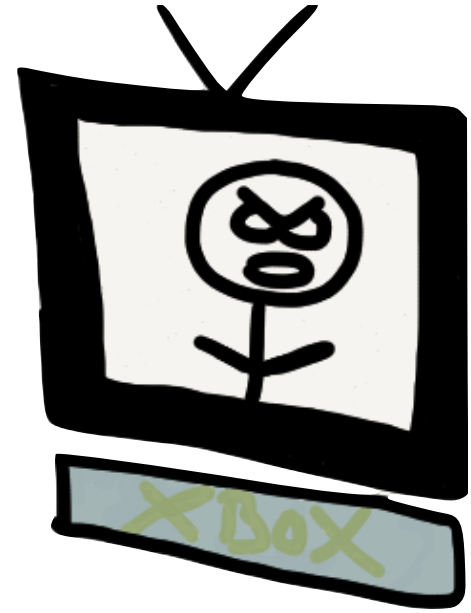


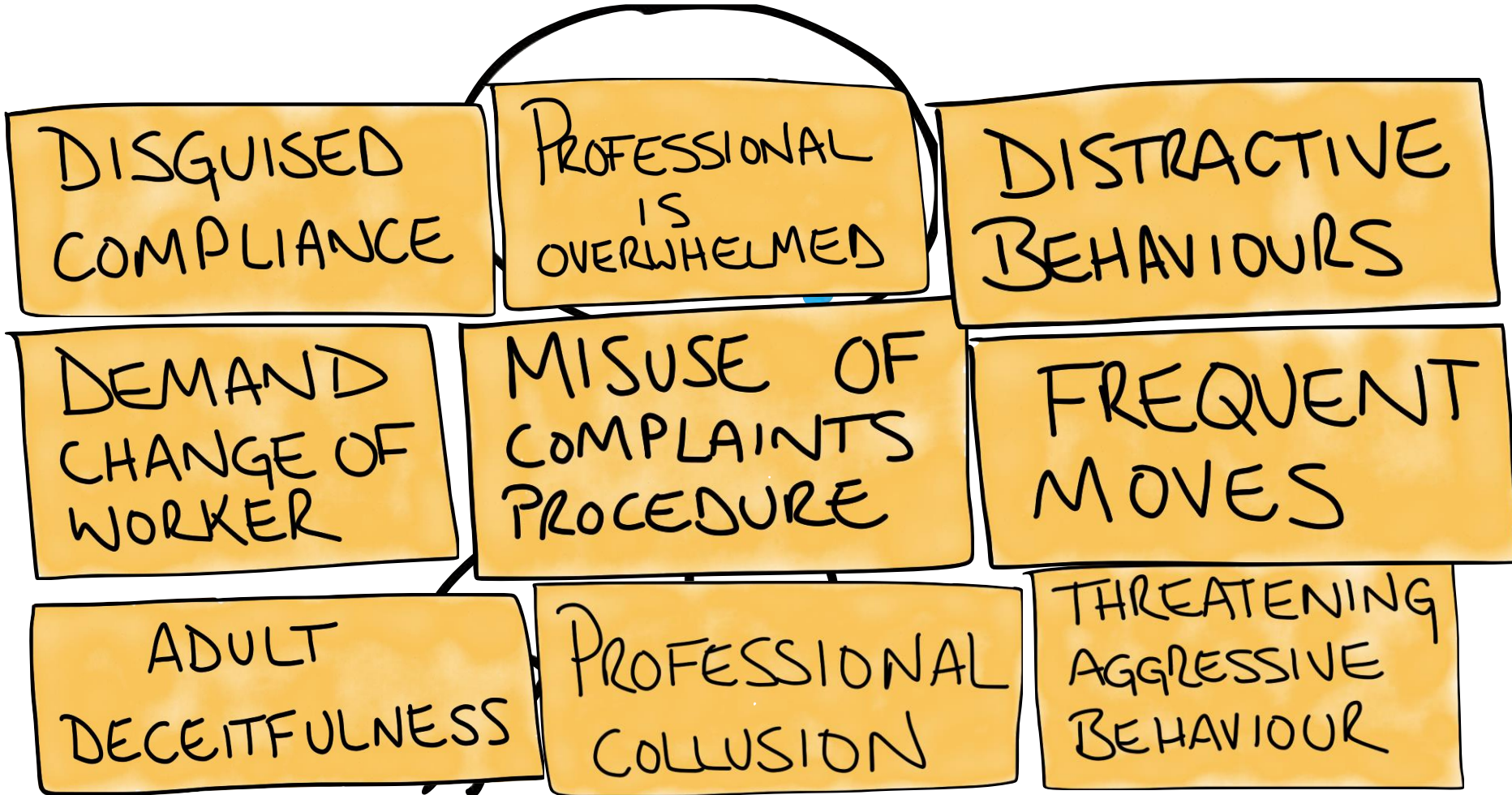
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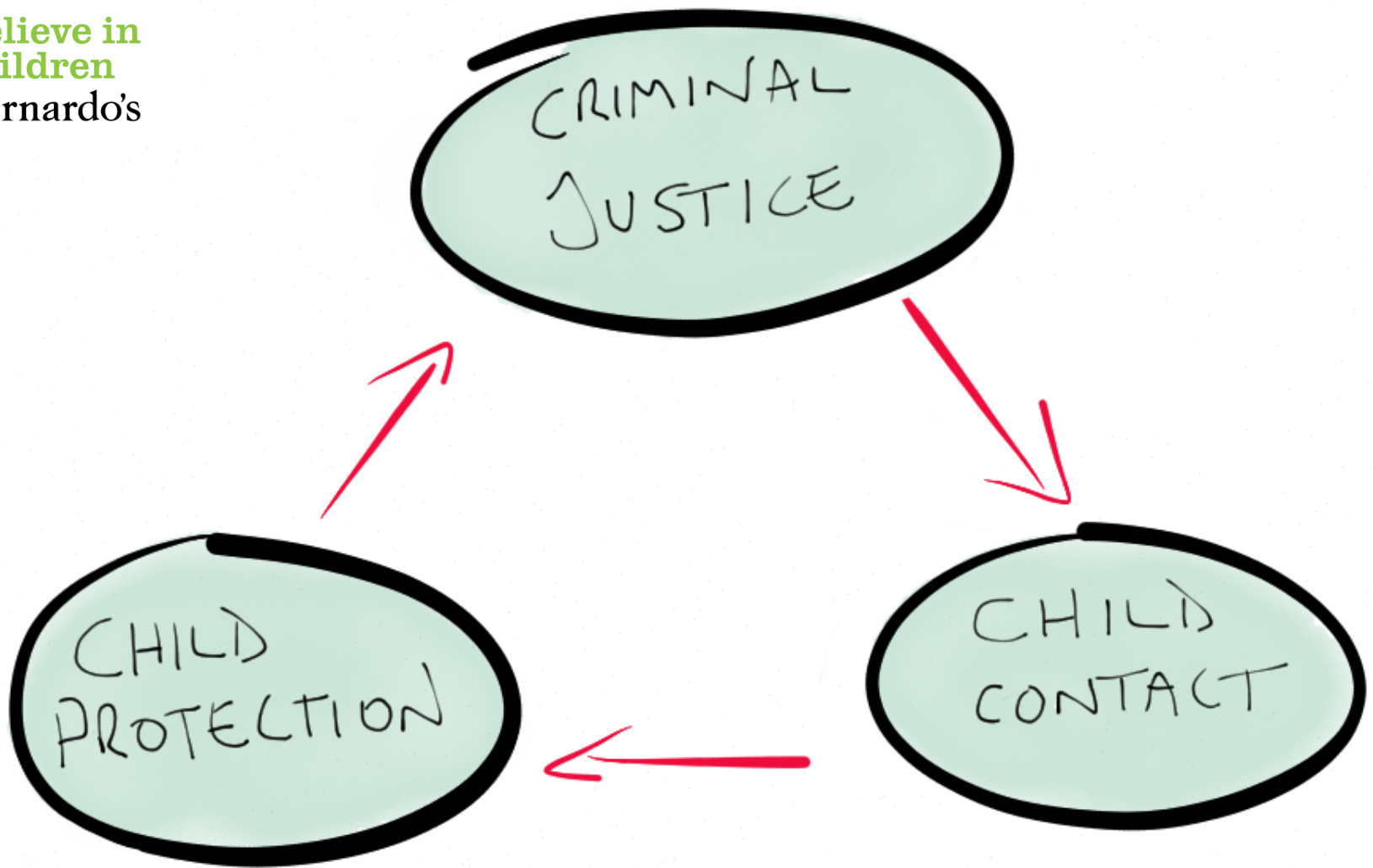


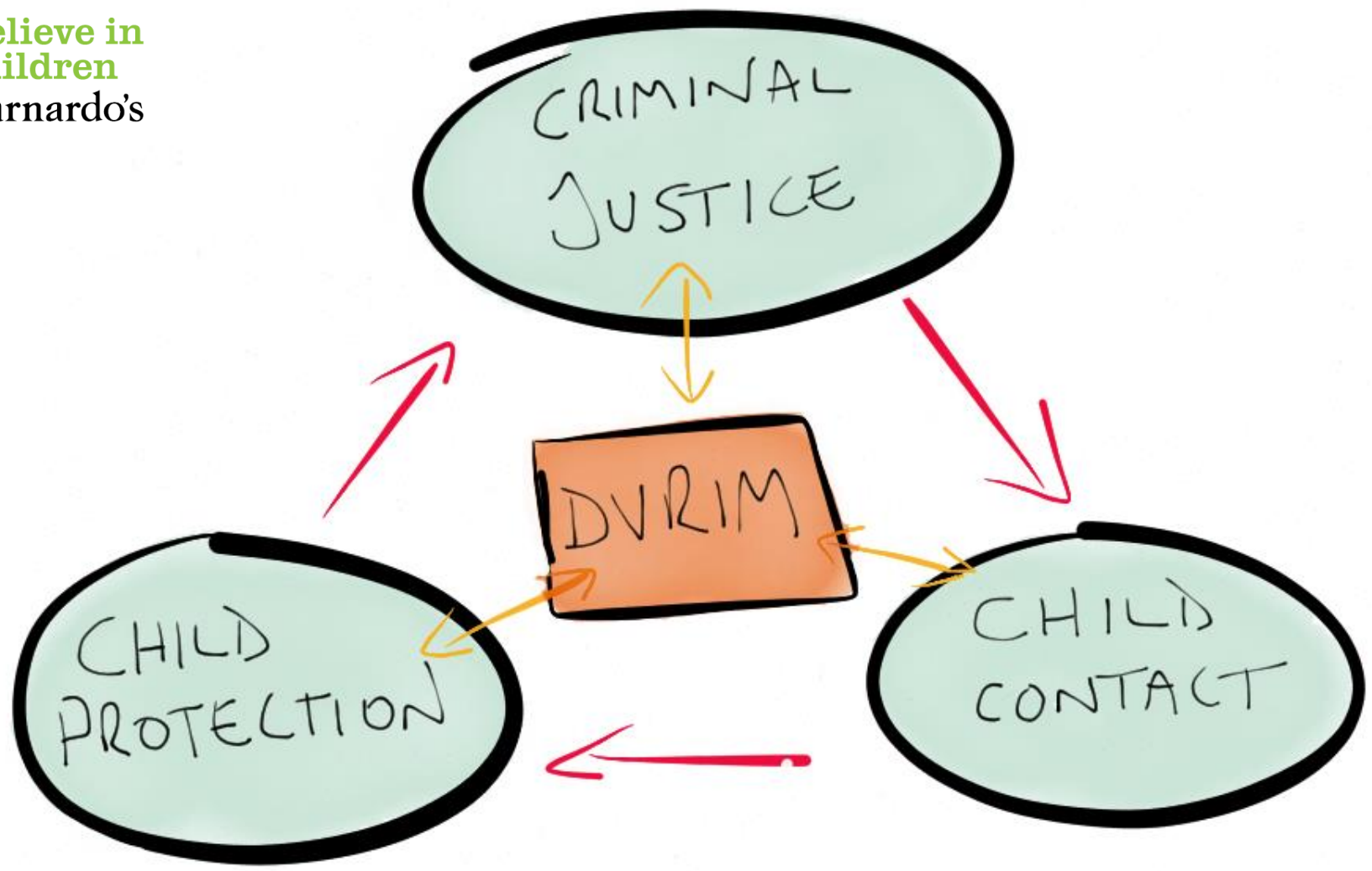
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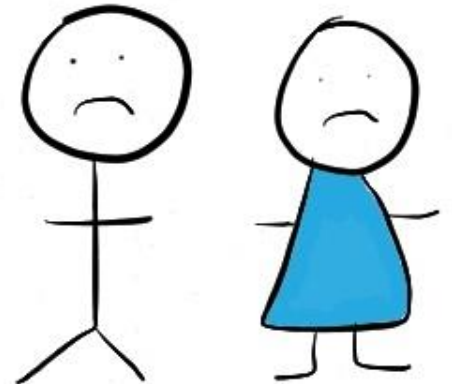








KEY STRATEGIES



DVRIM- Schedule Interview Tool for Engaging abusive fathers in child protection assessment

