

Savera UK is available to offer support and guidance when dealing with culturally sensitive cases. Please do not hesitate to contact us on the number below.

Always follow your organisation's policy as well as your local 'honour'-based and harmful practices policy, if you have one. Please also refer to national guidelines that can be found via www.gov.uk

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WHAT TO CONSIDER

when working with those affected by 'honour'-based abuse and harmful practices

Helpline: 0800 107 0726
(Mon – Fri, 9am – 5pm)

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Savera UK is a charity tackling 'honour'-based abuse (HBA) and other harmful practices, including forced marriage, female genital mutilation (FGM) and other emerging harmful practices.

These practices remain very much hidden crimes and those who have the courage to break free from their abusive environment often live under threats from their family and community, meaning they will require lifelong protection.

There are certain safeguarding issues to consider due to the extreme high risk posed to those affected by 'honour'-based abuse and harmful practices:

- **Cases should not be shared or disclosed to anyone apart from those working with the client**
- **A safety plan must be set up for all communication, so the client can indicate safely if they are unable to speak or highlight if they are in immediate danger**
- **A safety risk assessment must be undertaken with the client, in order to understand the full risk, this can include all those who indicate any risks to your client**
- **The client should be regularly monitored to check if there are any changes to risk**
- **If the client has limited or no English, please ensure that an external and registered interpreter is used. Under no circumstances should family, friends or community members be used, even if requested by the client, as this could also put the other person at risk**
- **Personal data and case information should only be shared through a secure system, any information shared mistakenly or incorrectly could have consequences to the safety of your client**