## Modern Slavery Awareness

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When asking a question let us know who is speaking



Protect confidentiality



We will use the chat, breakout rooms and Menti



Allow and accept that there will be silences and technical glitches



Put mobile phones on silent and close emails

- Discussing abuse and exploitation brings up different emotions for people
- Respect everyone's unique experience and level of knowledge
- Challenge statements and not the person

#### What to expect from today

- Understanding the definition of modern slavery and human trafficking
- Looking at the different types of exploitation
- Recognising the signs to identify individuals who are at risk/are being exploited
- Examining relevant legislation, such as the Modern Slavery Act 2015 and the National Referral Mechanism
- Exploring barriers that prevent victims/survivors disclosing exploitation
- Understanding how to respond when we identify potential victims/survivors

# Is this a concern?

A man from Eritrea is found on the back of a lorry with 12 other people, he has the address of a factory where he is meant to go to find work

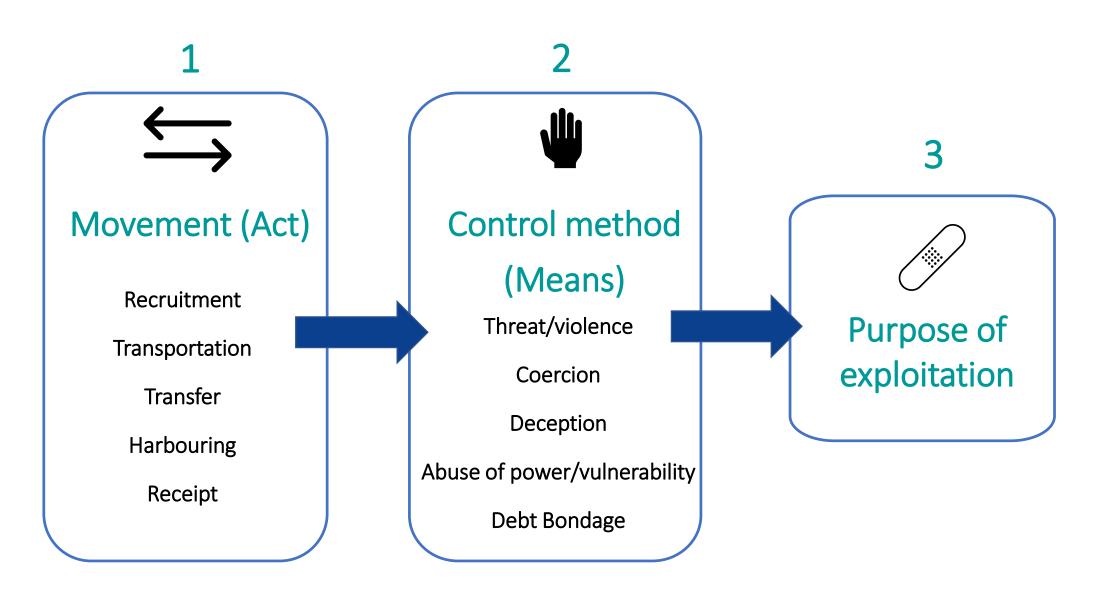
A British woman has her home taken over by a gang where they are selling and storing drugs, she receives drugs in return for letting them stay

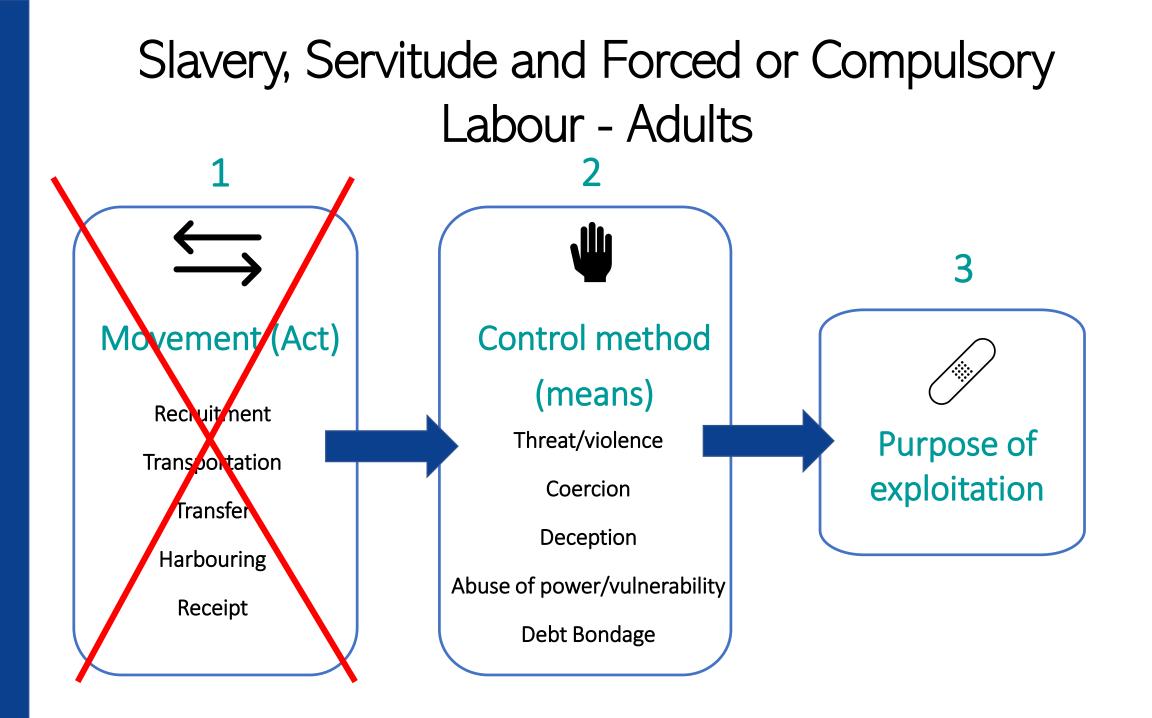
A Polish man is selling sex in London to send money home to his family

#### What is modern slavery?



### Human Trafficking - Adults





## Smuggling or trafficking?





- Crime against the state
- Travel from A to B then
  relationship ends

- Crime against humanity
- Travel from A to B then relationship continues
- Smuggling can turn into trafficking

What are people trafficked or exploited for?



- Break out rooms 5 minutes
- Try to name 5 types of exploitation
- Nominate one person to feed back

# What are people exploited for?

Labour exploitation Sexual exploitation Criminal exploitation Benefit fraud

Domestic servitude

Organ harvesting





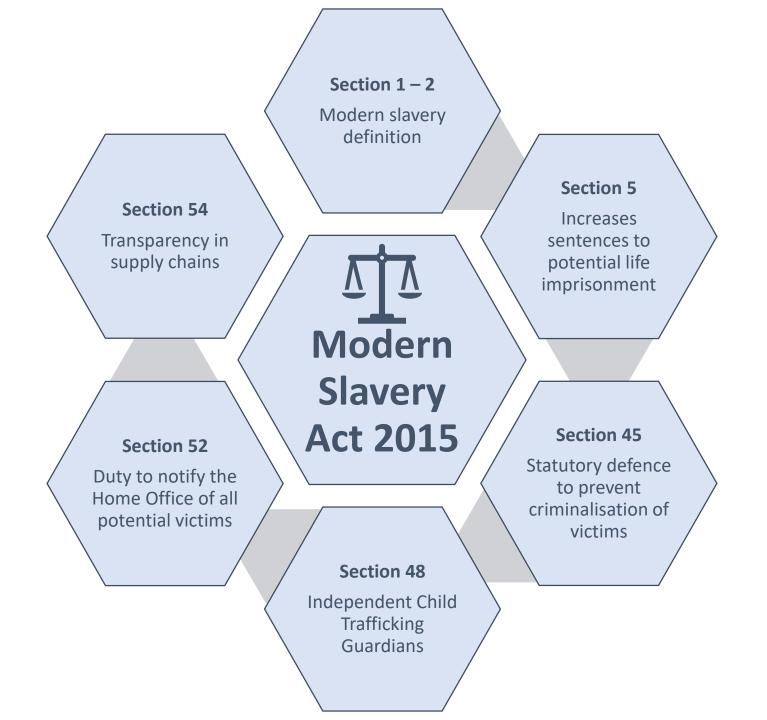
A drawing by a Vietnamese young person of a cannabis house on behalf of the NSPCC Child Trafficking Advice Centre's Young People's Advisory Group Damilola married Michael, who brought her to the UK to live with him and his sister, with the promise of a better life. Michael forced Damilola to do housework 13 hours a day for his family and threatened to hit her.

Sami paid £2000 in order to be transported in a boat to England, where he was told he can earn high wages to send to his children. When Sami arrives in the UK he works in a restaurant and is paid cash in hand.

Alisha works in a factory in the midlands making clothes for a fast fashion brand. She is paid £3.50 an hour. Her manager threatened her with violence when she said she wanted to leave because of the poor working conditions.







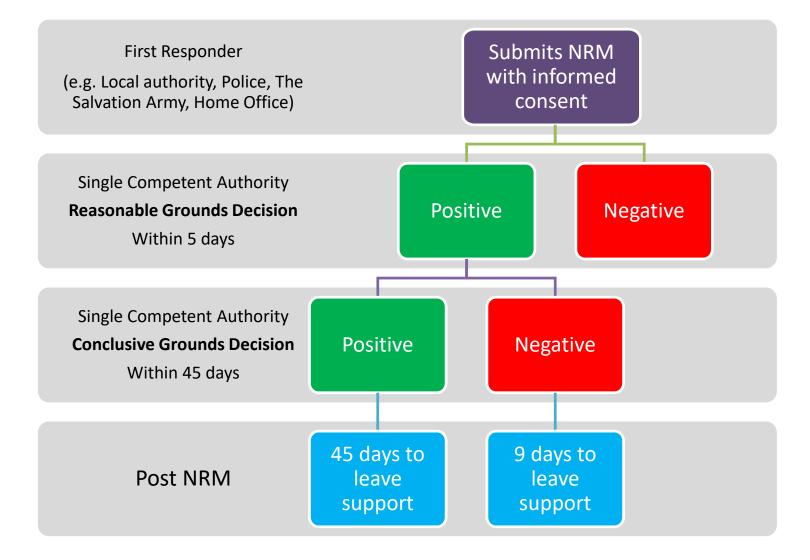
## National Referral Mechanism (NRM)

A system to identify a victim of trafficking and modern slavery and support them to leave or recover from exploitation

NRMs can only be completed by first responders (Local Authorities, police, Home Office and some NGOs) who have a duty to report suspected trafficking cases



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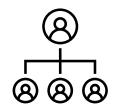
## Duty to Notify

If a potential victim of modern slavery does not want an NRM submitted, first responders have a **Duty to Notify**, fulfilled through completing the NRM Duty to Notify form

If a potential victim does not want to access the NRM:



Provide them with contact details for any organisation, such as an NGO, which could provide support. <u>Kensington and Chelsea and</u> <u>Westminster Support Services</u>

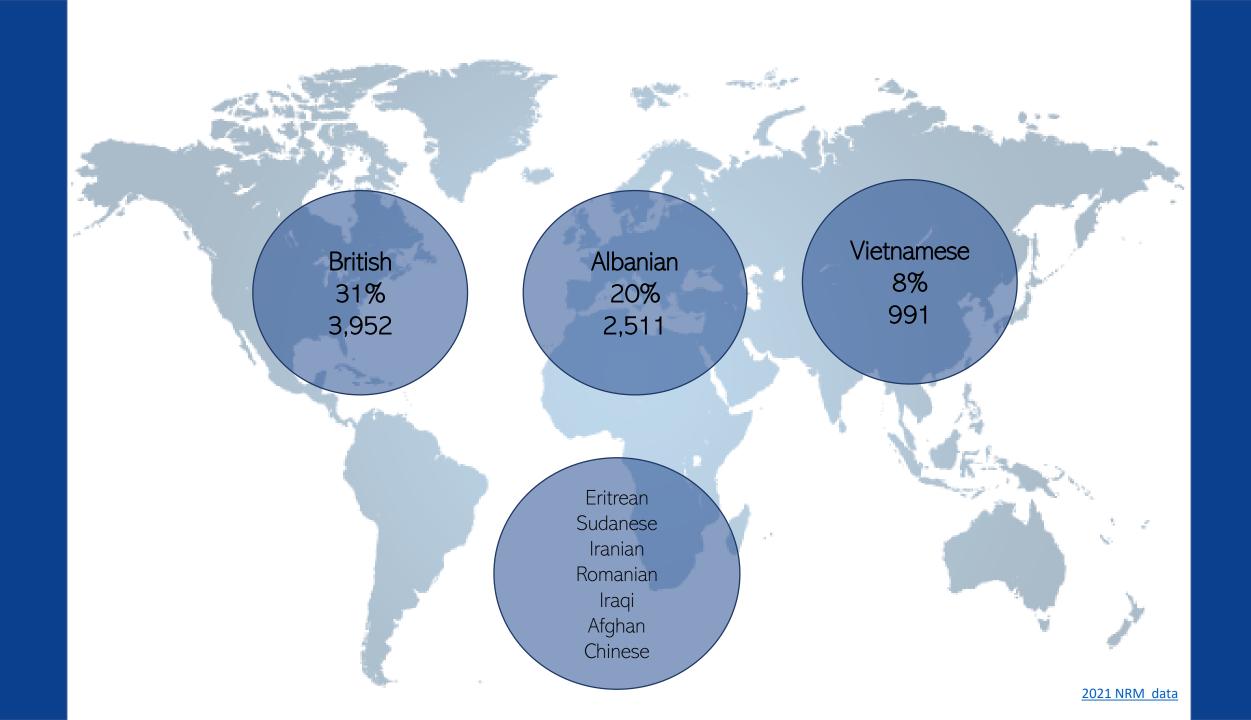




Contact your SPOC or safeguarding lead who can keep in touch, should the individual change their mind.

Provide them with information on what support is available in and outside the NRM.

Believe they have a debt to pay off	Brought or moved from another country or location	Does not have days off work	Does not have access to their own documentation
With others who speak for them and may be reluctant to speak for themselves	Has movements controlled or restricted by someone else	Being located in different countries/places for unclear reasons	Missing or unlocated
Resides in poor living conditions / sleeps at work	Physical symptoms; pregnant, STI's, sexual or physical assault, poor dental health	Hidden from universal services for example not registered with a GP	Has limited/no social interaction
Found in a concerning area i.e. a crime hotspot or location where sex is bought and sold	Involved in criminal activity: cannabis factory, drug dealing, begging, pick pocketing	Seems fearful of engaging with authorities	Living with a large amount of other people (HMO properties)

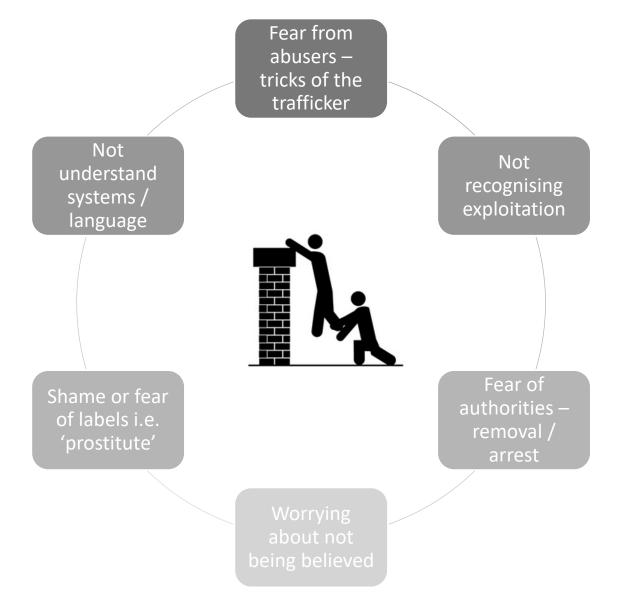


What stops people from speaking out?



- Break out rooms 6 minutes
- Nominate one person to feed back

#### Barriers to disclosure



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### How to respond

- Do not raise your concerns with anyone accompanying the person
- Do not use the accompanying person as an interpreter
- Treat the person as a victim first & foremost
- Explain who you are and what your role is
- Be professionally curious
- Always prioritise welfare concerns over immigration and criminality
- Be mindful of re-traumatising
- Explain to the person what actions you can take



### Questions to ask

- Do you feel safe?
- Is anyone making you do something you don't want to?
- How many hours a day do you work?
- Are you being paid for your work?
- Do you have access to your bank account?
- Do you have access to your documents?
- Who would you call if you needed help?
- Are you able to leave the place you work/live?
- Can you tell me about your situation?



#### Help & Advice

IF SOMEONE IS AT IMMEDIATE RISK OF HARM -Call 999

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Directory of Survivor Support Services London Boroughs of Hammersmith & Fulham,

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24 hour help & advice: Modern Slavery Helpline – 0800 0121 700

24 hour referral: The Salvation Army - 0300 303 8151

Social Services Line: RBKC: 020 7361 3013 WCC: 020 7641 1175

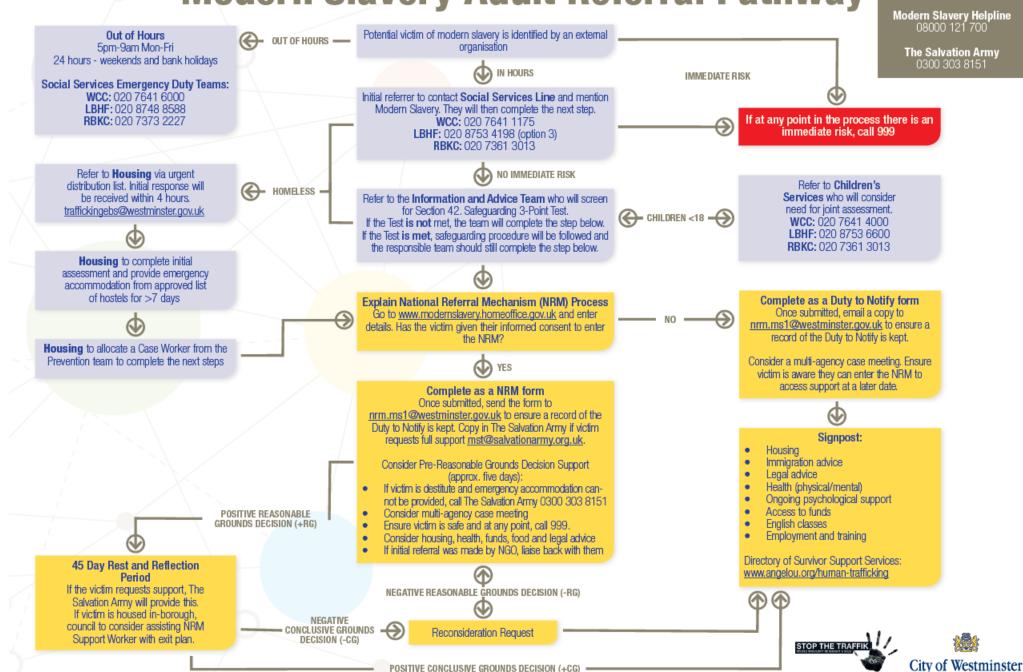
Child Victim – Contact Children's Services

Directory of services: www.angelou.org/humantrafficking

#### Modern Slavery Adult Referral Pathway

Useful Numbers

FOR INTERNAL USE



#### Resources

#### **NRM Leaflets**

Government NRM Leaflets West Midlands Anti-Slavery Network Leaflets FLEX NRM leaflets

#### Rights

<u>Migrant Rights Network – know your rights</u>

#### Enforcement

Guidelines for enforcement professions and modern slavery

#### **Health professionals**

Stop the Traffik information for health professionals









#### Questions, thoughts and comments

