

Behind Closed Doors: The Cuckooing Hazard Perception Test

Suggested Training Workshop Structure

This workshop plan has been designed to accompany the VR experience 'Behind Closed Doors: The Cuckooing Hazard Perception Test'. Intended for use by police and safeguarding partners, it provides a suggested structure for the delivery of a one-hour cuckooing awareness-raising and prevention session.

To access the additional cuckooing resources referenced in this plan, visit the **Cuckooing Research & Prevention Network webpage**.

If you have any questions or comments about this workshop plan, contact: Dr Laura Bainbridge, Associate Professor in Criminal Justice, University of Leeds **L.Bainbridge@leeds.ac.uk**

Learning Objectives

By the end of the workshop, participants will be able to:

- Define cuckooing and identify risk factors
- Understand the different scenarios in which cuckooing occurs
- Identify the signs that cuckooing may be occurring
- Recognise the impact of cuckooing on individuals and the wider community
- Respond effectively and safely to suspected cases of cuckooing



Suggested Workshop Structure

Part 1 - Trainer

Supporting Documents

Understanding Cuckooing Victimisation

10 MINUTES

- What is cuckooing?
- What are the different types of cuckooing?
- Why does cuckooing occur?
- Who is at risk of cuckooing victimisation?
- How are cuckooing victims identified and targeted by perpetrators?



Part 2 – Group Discussion

Reflection on the VR experience

15 MINUTES

- Scenario 1/2/3/4 what signs of cuckooing did you notice?
- Have you encountered cuckooing warning signs in your work? How did you respond?
- How did the scenarios make you feel?



Part 3 – Trainer

Know the Signs

10 MINUTES

- What are the warning signs that overt cuckooing is occurring?
- What are the warning signs that covert cuckooing is occurring?
- What might be observed upon entering a cuckooed address?
- How might victims of cuckooing act?







Part 4 – Group Discussion

The Impact of Cuckooing

10 MINUTES

- What impact might cuckooing have on victims?
- Why might victims be afraid to report that they are being cuckooed?
- How might neighbours and members of the wider community be impacted by cuckooing activity?



Supporting Documents

Part 5 - Trainer

Preventing and Disrupting Cuckooing

10 MINUTES

- What local initiatives and services are available to targetharden potential victims? How can these be accessed?
- What should you do if you suspect that somebody is being cuckooed?
- What support is available to victims of cuckooing in the local area?
- How will you ensure your own safety when seeking to disrupt cuckooing?

Cuckooing Victimisation



Part 6 - Trainer

Wrap-up

5 MINUTES

- Any unanswered questions?
- How can participants learn more?







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