

PARTICIPANTS NEEDED

Working towards gender-sensitive care: exploring practitioner experiences of building trust with boys with lived experience of childhood sexual exploitation (CSE)

WHY IS THIS RESEARCH BEING CARRIED OUT?

Sexually exploited boys are a vulnerable and understudied population. Emerging literature highlights the barriers they experience, and a clinical push to develop gender-sensitive practices that promote engagement and recovery. Trust plays a key role in trauma stabilisation, promoting safety and ability to engage in therapeutic support.

This research is interested in how practitioners experience the therapeutic relationship with boys who have lived experience of CSE, and aims to explore how trust is developed and the challenges practitioners face in this process.

The study hopes to identify key priorities for research and training development to support gender-sensitive care.

WHO CAN TAKE PART?

- Practitioners with at least one year of experience therapeutically engaging with young people (under 18 years), including boys, following disclosure of sexual exploitation.
- Practitioners who have completed any level of training on CSE (including organisational e-learning).

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

- You will be invited to take part in a 1-hour (approx.) interview, either virtually or face-to-face, depending on your preference.
- The interview will focus on your experiences (positive and challenging) of building a trusting therapeutic relationship with young men with lived experience of CSE.
- Confidentiality and anonymity will be protected throughout the study (the research process has been *approved by The University of Staffordshire Research Ethics Committee*).

INTERESTED?

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