

# Concerned a student is at risk of forced marriage / “honour” based violence?



**THERE MAY ONLY BE ONE CHANCE TO HELP**

## DO

- Listen to and believe the student
- Refer all information to school safeguarding officer
- Act promptly
- Keep the student updated on steps taken
- Remember students may be at greater risk during school holidays
- Ensure students know how to get help if they are concerned that they are at risk

## DON'T

- Consider culture as a justification for abuse
- Dismiss the student's fears
- Underestimate risk from perpetrators
- Send the student home to a dangerous situation
- Mediate
- Use family/community members as interpreters
- Share information with family/community members

Contact IKWRO  
Advice / Counselling  
Training for school staff, students, parents/guardians

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Forced Marriage Unit

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