



CASE SCENARIOS

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The receptionist in the GP practice is aware that a young man with schizophrenia, who attends the practice frequently for his injections, is brought in by a much older man. He appears very controlling and verbally abusive towards the young man in the waiting room. The young man appears to be frightened of the older man.

Amir has a learning disability and lives in supported housing, he goes to college daily. Travelling home on the bus a teenager started swearing at Amir saying he shouldn't be allowed out in the community. Humiliated in front of the other passengers, he felt upset and angry about the incident, but he was initially too scared to tell anyone and does not know what to do.

Yesterday he came home saying he had been pushed on the bus by the same person, who swore at him calling him offensive names, 'spassy' 'moron' 'dumbo' and had stolen his mobile phone. The support agency have advised him to travel by taxi, but he does not want to this as he likes to travel with his friend.

Sunil is 21 years old and at University. He complains that he is experiencing hate crime and is being targeted because he is transgender.

He is frightened that these people will drive him out of his accommodation and some neighbours are already talking about him and calling him names.

Sydney is 92 years old and very frail. He was discharged from hospital at 2.30 in the morning.

He was unable able to cope at home, he had no food in the house and could not get to the toilet.

Barbara is an 88 year old woman with dementia who was admitted to a care home from hospital following a fall. Barbara has appointed her only daughter to act for her under a Lasting Power of Attorney in relation to her property and financial affairs.

Barbara's former home was sold and she became liable to pay the full fees of her care home. Barbara's daughter has not paid the fees and arrears are building up. Her room is bare of personal items and her daughter is not providing her mother with any money for clothing, toiletries or outings.

The care home manager has written and phoned the daughter, who has been very aggressive and has refused to pay. Barbara is at risk of being given notice.

Zoe is a female patient who is 32 years old and on a general ward of the hospital.

Due to the nature of her surgery, she requires temporary support to get her out of bed. One of the nurses who was assisting her to get out of bed and into a wheelchair, accidentally pushes the wheelchair away from her and Zoe falls onto the floor and breaks her arm.

Zelda is an elderly woman with mild dementia. She lives with her husband and has a homemaker that visits several times a week as respite for her husband. Recently Zelda has had a few bruises on her wrists and upper arms and has seemed upset over the last few weeks. She mentioned to her homemaker that her husband “loses his temper” and sometimes he hurts her, but she doesn’t want the homemaker to tell anyone because her husband will be cross.

The homemaker has been concerned about her husband's attitude as he is very dismissive of his wife and rude to her.

Vanita is 82 years old and lives alone. She has a physical disability and has paid carers who provide personal care twice a day. She has been a victim of crime; her car was stolen from the car park. She is upset and angry. Her daughter is supporting her to give a statement to the police.

CCTV cameras had recorded the crime and the police have arrested and charged the suspects. Vanita is relieved to hear that the police have caught them and now feels that with the support from her daughter she can now get on with her life.

Janice aged 45, a physically disabled victim of sustained domestic abuse, was found dead in her home. She shared her home with her partner who was convicted of her manslaughter. Janice had been in contact with social services and other agencies for some time before her death. In the year she died Janice had received a fixed penalty notice for false alarms to the Fire and Rescue Service. Her partner had a history of 14 convictions, including one of common assault 15 years previously, another more recently, four offences against property and other offences of theft.

A post-mortem revealed that Janice had 84 different areas of injury to her body, including 2 open wounds, 3 fractures to her lower jaw and ribs, as well as bleeding to her brain and inside her mouth. She died when the jaw fractures became infected and sepsis spread to her neck, chest and lung. Doctors said she would have been unable to swallow or speak and would have struggled to breathe, such was the extent of her injuries.

Giles is in his 20s, and has autism and anxiety and was in care until he was 18. The Salvation Army found him sleeping rough. He disclosed that he had fled from two men who had offered him work. He said he had to work six days a week unpaid and shared an old, dirty shed with another man. He said he was picked up by a van at 7.00 am and then knocked on people's doors asking if they wanted any work doing, digging patios or making drive-ways. He was then picked up at 9.00 pm; if he was not back by this time he would get beaten. After an incident where he was beaten with a spanner he managed to escape.