

Predatory Marriage

Hidden in Plain Sight, Predatory Marriage is an emerging form of exploitation targeting vulnerable older adults. It can happen anywhere and to anyone but those lacking mental capacity for whatever reason, are especially vulnerable. Coercion and Control is a key part of this shocking form of abuse

With a growing elderly population, we all need to do what we can to keep them safe from harm, exploitation and abuse.

Key Facts:

- Predators identify victims through a range of methods and groom them.
- The grooming process is often Hidden in Plain Sight.
- If a marriage takes place, any previous Will made by the victim is revoked, which is almost impossible to challenge.
- If there is a power of attorney, the attorney is not notified if the victim marries.
- Predatory Marriage can happen to male or females.

If you are worried about someone, report your concerns Adults:
Lets Talk Service, 0191 424 6000
Children: MASH, 0191 424 5010
(Mon – Thurs 8.30am – 5.00pm or
Fri 8.30am – 4.30pm
Out of Hours: 0191 456 2093 (evenings,
weekends and bank holidays)
Police 999 (immediate danger) or 101

What can I do to find out more:

- Attend an Awareness Session
- Understand that adults can be groomed and look out for new friends / acquaintances of vulnerable adults
- Visit: www.predatorymarriage.uk

