



Understanding HATE CRIME

As part of the *CATCH* partnership, *Protection Approaches* are offering free hate crime awareness training to those based in London.

Overview:

This 3-hour course has been designed for **frontline staff and volunteers who work with those at risk of being subjected to hate crime**. The content is designed to help participants to be able to have informed **discussions with community members about hate crime** and the reporting and support options available to them if they experience hate crime. At the end of the training participants will feel more equipped to offer initial basic support and signposting to victims of hate crime, as well as more able to **raise awareness of hate crime among the communities they work with**.

The sessions can be delivered **online or in person**. The sessions are fully **interactive** and based around a series of group activities which help participants to investigate:

- **What is hate crime:** the definitions of hate crime and non-crime hate incidents including the behaviours that are classified as crime, and the specific hate crime offences
- **Barriers to reporting or seeking support:** Why do so many victims or witnesses not report or seek support?
- **Reporting and support options:** Where and how can witnesses or victims report hate crimes or hate incidents and what options are available to seek support? What are the benefits and drawbacks to different support and reporting options?
- **Understanding the CATCH services and making referrals:** increase knowledge, confidence and ability when interacting with hate crime victims to offer a basic initial level of support and signposting to the CATCH service.
- **What happens when a hate crime/incident is reported?** What is the duty of the police? How is a hate crime or incident investigated? How is a decision made whether to arrest or prosecute?
- **Impact of hate crime on victims / witnesses and the community:** why is support so important in hate incidents and what additional support needs do victims of hate crime have versus victims of crimes not motivated by hate?

About us:

Protection Approaches works to change how the world views identity-based violence – and by so doing, change the way we respond to and prevent it.

CATCH is a group of charities working together to provide safe, specialist, and confidential support for people who have experienced hate in London.

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