

Fair processing notice

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Pause Programme: Scoping Exercise

The Pause programme works with women who have experienced, or are at risk of, repeat removals of children from their care. It aims to break this cycle and gives women the opportunity to develop new skills and responses that can help them build a more positive future for themselves.

The Programme started in Hackney in 2013, as a pilot to test an intensive, flexible programme of support, tailored to women's individual needs – so they tackle destructive patterns, develop new skills and avoid further trauma. Pause is now operating in six other Local Authorities across the country: Newcastle, Hull, Islington, Greenwich, Newham and Southwark. More Pause Practices are currently in development.

The Purpose

Lambeth is piloting the Pause programme in collaboration with representatives from Pause. The first phase of the programme is a scoping exercise, which aims to identify women who have experienced, or are at risk, of repeat removals of children from their care. This involves research into Lambeth Children's Social Care case files to understand the prevalence of issues arising for this group. This information will be analysed to determine the added value of the Pause programme. This will enable the local authority to decide whether to work with Pause to develop bespoke initiatives to support the women in this group.

- In phase one of the scoping exercise the personal data of individuals and families will only be shared between the partners: the London Borough of Lambeth and Pause and will be pseudonymised. In phase two of the scoping exercise information will be shared with partners with whom the council has in place information sharing agreements. All data and information sharing relates to one off sharing to achieve the objectives of the Pause programme.
- This Agreement relates to accessing personal data and the sharing of appropriate personal information. The legal basis for sharing this data and information is:
 - Section 10 of the Children's Act 2004.
 - Schedules 2 and 3 of the Data Protection Act 1998.
 - Section 2 (5) of the Local Government Act 2000 in order to 'better assist Children who have or are likely to become looked after children and is done on the basis of improving effective service delivery'.
- Data agreements are in place to ensure that:

- the data can only be used for the specific purpose that it was shared;
- the data will not be shared with any third party;
- the data will be pseudonymised;
- all data is transferred, handled and stored in accordance with the Data Protection Act;
- once the scoping exercise comes to an end, Pause will no longer have access to the Council's system and will retain only aggregated, anonymised data for the purpose of analysis;
- appropriate measures are in place to protect the personal data against unauthorised use of the data;
- it will be impossible for any person or family to be identified from any published reports.

Further information can be found at <http://www.pause.org.uk/aboutpause>. If you have any questions regarding data sharing, please email the Information Governance team at infogov@lambeth.gov.uk.

