

What is this project about?

This Project aims to bring knowledge and confidence to practitioners and hope to parents and young people experiencing CPV.

Although a difficult and complex issue the project aims to raise awareness and show evidence of how to respond effectively.



Researching the effectiveness of existing intervention models across five European countries – Bulgaria, England, Republic of Ireland, Spain and Sweden.

Developing our understanding of this complex issue by looking at the impact of gender inequality and power relationships on CPV.

Demonstrating how municipalities, educational institutions, statutory agencies and NGOs can work with young people on CPV.



Daphne 'Responding to Child to Parent Violence' Project

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What is Child to Parent Violence and Abuse?

- Child to Parent Violence (CPV) is an often hidden serious social problem.
- It involves teenage and younger boys and girls who use physical, psychological, emotional or financial abuse to gain power over their parent/s or carers.
- CPV reverses the usual power relationship where the parent/s or carer/s have authority in relation to their sons or daughters.
- CPV is not the kind of unruly behaviour children display but when a child persistently uses more severe abuse and or violence to get their own way.
- Parents find it hard to admit to themselves, let alone others, what they are experiencing from their child.

Cottrell (2003) describes child to parent violence as "...any harmful act by a teenage child intended to gain power and control over a parent. The abuse can be physical, psychological, or financial."



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What we've achieved so far!

Our project will:

1. Raise awareness
2. Research understanding
3. Develop an evaluation framework and pilot with 2 models
4. Build capacity by implementing intervention programmes
5. Produce resources for practitioners and families



Get Involved!

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- Launched a project web site with a project blog and store for the resources and tool-kits we are developing, and distributed 200 posters.
- Trained over 200 professionals from across the EU in Brighton & Hove's Break4Change model or the National University of Galway's Non-Violent Resistance model. Developed a self-efficacy tool.
- Regional seminars held in Sweden (April 2013), UK (May 2013) and Bulgaria (September 2013).
- Produced country context tables on the provision for CPV in Bulgaria, England, Ireland, Spain and Sweden.
- Break4Change run in Åmål, Sweden and in Galway, Republic of Ireland.
- Designed and are piloting a country-sensitive evaluation tool to assess different CPV intervention models.
- We've organised an international Conference on CPV in Galway, Republic of Ireland (June 2014).

Still to come...

- ◇ A regional symposium on RCPV at the University of Valencia in September 2014.
- ◇ Follow up interviews with the practitioners we trained to see how effective the intervention models are.
- ◇ Development of Break4Change and Non-Violent Resistance toolkits in English, Spanish, Swedish and Bulgarian, plus filming USB resources and case studies for practitioners' use.
- ◇ An end of project conference in Brighton, England 28-29th January 2015 where we will showcase what we have achieved. Register via our website.
- ◇ We will report back to the EU on our project end January 2015 at a "round table" event in Brussels.



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