



Department  
of Health

## Useful links to national organisations who support vulnerable individuals

### Asylum seekers / Migrants/ Refugees

Organisation: Doctors of the World - For support and advice for anyone having difficulty accessing the healthcare they need

<http://doctorsoftheworld.org.uk/pages/what-we-do>

Organisation: Shelter - Shelter gives practical housing advice and support online, in person and by phone

[http://england.shelter.org.uk/get\\_advice/homelessness/whats\\_your\\_situation/asylum\\_seekers\\_and\\_refugees?qclid=CJXtsPzH6sECFcrKtAodAXAApw](http://england.shelter.org.uk/get_advice/homelessness/whats_your_situation/asylum_seekers_and_refugees?qclid=CJXtsPzH6sECFcrKtAodAXAApw)

Organisation: Migrant Help - Migrant Help provide individuals with the resources and support they need to find safety, access appropriate services and information and develop greater independence.

<http://www.migranthehelp.org/>

Organisation: Refugee Council - one of the leading charities in the UK working directly with refugees, and supporting them to rebuild their lives

[http://www.refugeecouncil.org.uk/what\\_we\\_do](http://www.refugeecouncil.org.uk/what_we_do)

Organisation: Migrant Resource Centre – works through a range of organisations to deliver services and effect social justice

<http://www.migrantsresourcecentre.org.uk/>

Organisation: The Joint Council for the Welfare of Immigrants (JCWI) – JCWI advise on law and policy in relation to migrants and asylum seekers -

<http://www.jcwi.org.uk/>

### Children

Organisation: British Red Cross – helps people in crisis, whoever and wherever they are

<http://www.redcross.org.uk/en/What-we-do/Refugee-support>

Organisation: The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) – helps stop all forms of cruelty to children

<http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/child-abuse-and-neglect/female-genital-mutilation-fgm/>

Organisation: Save the Children – an international childrens' charity which supports both emergency and long-term relief

<http://www.savethechildren.org.uk/about-us>

### **Gypsy Travellers**

Organisation: London Gypsy and Traveller Unit - works with Gypsies and Travellers in North and East London Boroughs

<http://www.lgtu.org.uk/useful-links.php>

Organisation: National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups – creates links between groups existing across the country

<http://www.nationalgypsytravellerfederation.org/>

Organisation: The Traveller Movement – carries out support work and projects on behalf of the traveller movement

<http://www.travellermovement.org.uk/>

### **Homelessness**

Organisation: Centrepoint – Support homeless young people with housing and services

<http://centrepoint.org.uk/>

Organisation: Crisis – a homeless charity focussing on hidden homelessness, working to help single homeless people

<http://www.crisis.org.uk/>

Organisation: HomelessLink – a national membership charity for organisations working directly with people who become homeless in England

<http://www.homeless.org.uk/>

### **Victims of Human Trafficking**

Organisation: Eaves – Putting Women First – provides housing and support to vulnerable women

<http://www.eavesforwomen.org.uk/about-eaves/our-projects/the-poppy-project>

The Medaille Trust – provides accommodation and support services to victims of trafficking

<http://www.medaille.co.uk/index.php?pageid=1>

The Salvation Army - <http://www.salvationarmy.org.uk/human-trafficking> - Has the UK Government contract for all support and accommodation services for all victims of trafficking under the National Referral Mechanism

## **Victims of torture**

Organisation: Freedom from Torture – dedicated to the treatment and rehabilitation of survivors of torture

<http://www.freedomfromtorture.org/>

Organisation: The Helen Bamber Foundation – Deal with victims of torture and trafficking in a counselling/therapeutic context, as well as medico-legal work - <http://www.helenbamber.org/>

Organisation: AFRUCA (Africans Unite Against Child Abuse) – A national NGO that campaign for and protects African children who are victims of torture, trafficking and other forms of abuse - <http://www.afruca.org/>

Organisation: BAWSO – First responders for victims of trafficking but they also provide advice to BME communities in relation to forced marriage, FGM, honour based violence, etc  
<http://www.bawso.org.uk/>

## **Victims of domestic violence**

Organisation: Refuge – provide support for women and child victims of domestic violence and abuse - <http://www.refuge.org.uk/>

## **Victims of sexual violence**

Organisation: The Survivors' Trust – a national umbrella agency for over 135 specialist rape, sexual violence and childhood sexual abuse support organisations throughout the UK and Ireland. <http://www.thesurvivorstrust.org/>

Organisation: Rape Crisis – a national charity and the umbrella body for our network of independent member Rape Crisis organisations. <http://www.rapecrisis.org.uk/>

Organisation: Mankind Counselling – support for men who have been sexually abused  
<http://www.mankindcounselling.org.uk/>

## **Victims of Female Genital Mutilation**

Organisation: Daughters of Eve – works to advance and protect the physical, mental, sexual and reproductive health rights of young people from female genital mutilation practising communities.

<http://www.dofeve.org/>