

**Joint targeted area inspection of the multi-
agency response
to children who are victims of domestic
abuse**

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Scope

- Reflects the definition of domestic abuse in the Domestic Abuse Act 2021,
 - children are victims of domestic abuse in their own right if they have **seen, heard or experienced the effect of the abuse**
 - Children under the age of 7
 - Including UBB
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- **DA not DV**

Focus

- responding to children who are victims of domestic abuse, at the point of **identification**
 - **assessment, planning and decision-making** in response to notifications and referrals of children who are victims of domestic abuse
 - **protecting, supporting and caring** for children victims of domestic abuse
 - **preventing** children from becoming victims of domestic abuse
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- Also looking at effectiveness of local partnership, through its Multi Agency Safeguarding Arrangements (**MASA**), monitors, promotes, coordinates and evaluates the work of the statutory partners

Who are the inspectors

- Ofsted
- Care Quality Commission (CQC)
- His Majesty's Inspectorate of Constabulary and Fire & Rescue Services (HMICFRS)
- His Majesty's Inspectorate of Probation (HMIP)

Timescale

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