

Sexual abuse and violence annual awareness week



The second annual national awareness week is scheduled to take place from the 6th – 12th February 2017 across the UK.

Organisers hope the nationwide week-long series of events, hosted by local organisations, will spread the message that any form of sexual abuse and sexual violence is unacceptable. The week aims to generate discussion among the general public, statutory bodies and third sector organisations about how sexual abuse and sexual violence is not ok, it aims to empower victims and send out a clear message that the UK collectively will be saying 'It's Not Ok'.

Individuals and organisations across the country will be getting involved with their own events, campaigns, conferences, training and social media activities.

All of the events, discussion points and activities can be found on our website [here](#), and followed on social media via the hashtag #ItsNotOk.

Organiser Yehudis Goldsobel said: "We need to put this topic at the forefront of the national conversation and not be afraid of it. Only then can we address prevention and change.

"Anyone who's been affected by sexual abuse or sexual violence needs to know they are not alone and that action is being taken.

"We also want perpetrators to know it will not be tolerated and we will all speak up about it – the shame lies only with them. All forms of sexual abuse and sexual violence are totally unacceptable and we want to get this message across."