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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST REFERENCE NUMBER 445/2024

Thank you for your request for information regarding an ACPO Briefing Note; which has now been considered.

Applicant Question:

ACPO Briefing Note: Initial Contact in Rape Cases 2009

NPCC Response:

The NPCC does hold information captured by your request.

I have pleasure in providing a document titled 'Briefing Note on First Response to Rape.

The document is a joint NPJA and ACPO document. Both the NPJA and ACPO no longer operate and this Briefing note is no longer in use. This has been superseded by Operation Soteria National Operating Model which is in the process of being rolled out to every force within England and Wales to implement as a transformational response to tackling RASSO (Rape and Serious Sexual Offences) 2025.

Further information can be found [here](#).

Yours sincerely

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COMPLAINT RIGHTS

Internal Review

If you are dissatisfied with the response you have been provided with, in compliance with the Freedom of Information legislation, you can lodge a complaint with NPCC to have the decision reviewed within 40 working days of the date of this response. The handling of your request will be looked at by someone independent of the original decision, and a fresh response provided.

It would be helpful, if requesting a review, for you to articulate in detail the reasons you are not satisfied with this reply.

If you would like to request a review, please write or send an email to NPCC Freedom of Information, c/o PO Box 481, Fareham, Hampshire, PO14 9FS.

Annex A

Section 17 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 requires the NPCC, when refusing to provide information by way of exemption in question and (c) states why the exemption applies. In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 this letter acts as a refusal notice to those aspects of your request.

Legislation – Section 16

- (1) It shall be the duty of a public authority to provide advice and assistance, so far as it would be reasonable to expect the authority to do so, to persons who propose to make, or have made, requests for information to it.