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PREVENT: The prevent strategy is due to be reviewed in parliament this year.

Prevent is about working in areas where there are risks of radicalisation and safeguarding people and communities from the threat of terrorism. Prevent offers support predominantly through local community partnerships. 181 community based projects were delivered in 2017/18 reaching over 88,000 participants. Since 2012, over 1,200 people have been successfully supported by tailored mentoring and support provided through Channel, an important part of Prevent. Of the 394 individuals who received Channel support in 2017/18, 179 (45%) were referred for concerns related to Islamist extremism and 174 (44%) were referred for concerns related to the right-wing extremism.

(<https://homeofficemedia.blog.gov.uk>)
If you have any issues or need to discuss any concerns regarding your own safety or that of a fellow learner please do not hesitate to contact us:

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Celebrating Achievements:

I caught up with Lacey this month to congratulate her for achieving her Apprenticeship in 'Adult Care Worker' level 2. Lacey sent this photo in for the Newsletter and Facebook along with a few words on how she found studying for her qualification with Training Now – if you would like to view the post on Facebook please visit us using the link below.

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“Throughout the time of doing my apprenticeship there were many times I felt like giving up but I persevered through it. I wouldn't have been able to do it without the support from my assessors; they were always there whenever I needed help or advice. My manager was very helpful too whenever I was finding things difficult. Completing my Apprenticeship has given me so much more knowledge in every part of my job role and has helped a lot with giving me more confidence when carrying out my job role too. Eventually in the future I may consider completing my Level 3.”

Elder Abuse Awareness:

It was Elder Abuse Awareness day on the 15th June this month - there have been calls from the charity 'Action on Elder Abuse' for a review of hate crime legislation saying it must make abuse of older people an aggravated offence in law... The charity's chief executive said; it was time to give older victims of crime the same protections as other groups victimised for their personal characteristics. The charity estimates that there are around one million victims of elder abuse each year in the UK. Despite this, official figures show that only around 0.3% of this total, results in a successful criminal conviction. In polling conducted by the charity in 2017, 96% of respondents backed calls for tougher penalties for crimes against older people. More than a third (34%) assumed such crimes were already classified as an aggravated offence with another 60% believing they should be. Making elder abuse a specific aggravated offence in statute would mean courts were required to apply a mandatory sentencing uplift, as is already the case for crimes motivated by prejudice based on someone's race, sexual orientation, religion or disability.

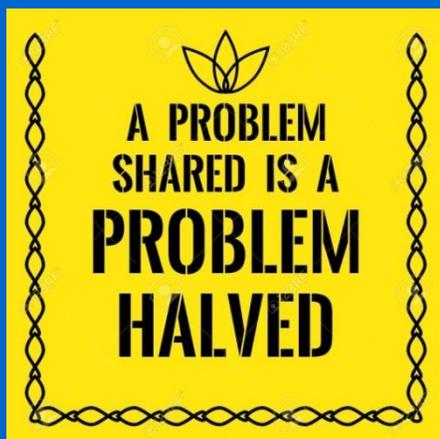
Equality & Diversity - Some dates to look out for in June/July:

15th June – World Elder Abuse Day
10th to 16th June - diabetes
awareness week
14th July - Disability Awareness day
17th July – World day for
International Justice
30th July – Friendship day



Safeguarding News:

Luke Hall is now joining the Training Now safeguarding team – The Training Now safeguarding team's purpose is to make sure all our Apprentices and learners are safe and well. Sometimes it can just be nice to talk to someone. We are here for you to talk to if you would like, because sometimes:



It was Diabetes Awareness week in June.

There is estimated to be over 4 million people living with diabetes in the UK at present. (www.diabetes.co.uk/diabetes-prevalence.html) In last month's issue we published an article on Ramadan and how care workers can support individuals with diabetes who are celebrating this religious festival. We would love to hear from you on this important topic. Write to us with your comments and stories on diabetes and how to stay safe and support others to live healthv. living with diabetes.

It is International Friendship Day next month on the 30th July.

The first World Friendship Day was proposed for 30 July in 1958 by the World Friendship Crusade, an international civil organisation that campaigns to foster a culture of peace through friendship. Many years later, in 2011, the 30th July was declared as the International Day of Friendship by the General Assembly of United Nations. With the growing popularity of social media throughout the world, there has been an increase in celebrating World Friendship day and International Day of Friendship online as well as organising activities in local communities aimed at bringing those of different backgrounds together. At Training Now we would love to hear about how your friendships have had a positive effect on your life and any plans you may have for celebrating this inspiring day with close friends. Please send in your stories so we can publish them in next month's issue.

What is cuckooing? Cuckooing occurs when dealers befriend vulnerable individuals and turn their homes into a place to keep and sell drugs. These are known as trap houses and leave victims facing violence and abuse. After befriending people who are too vulnerable to realise what is going on, the gangs invade the house and begin operating from there. The gangs sometimes promise to pay an electricity bill or buy a TV before taking over the flat. Cuckooing has risen with the growth of county lines drug trading, also known as "going country" or OT (out there), where urban gangs move class A drugs and cash between inner-city hubs and provincial areas. Urban dealers often target homes of vulnerable individuals in small, rural and coastal towns where they can set up and sell drugs.

