

## Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) – Pan-Lancashire Multi Agency Pathway for Adults Identified At Risk of or have suffered FGM.

**Where there is a risk to life or likelihood of serious immediate harm including pending FGM professionals should report without delay to the police, including dialling 999 as appropriate.**

If professionals identify a woman with FGM they must consider her physical and psychological health needs and refer as necessary, including to her GP. In addition the risk to any female children associated with her must be considered, follow the [safeguarding children FGM pathway](#). Consideration of other associated risks such as Honour Based Abuse and Forced marriage should also be considered. Health professionals must also contact their safeguarding FGM lead for data recording purposes. [click here](#) for department of health FGM safeguarding pathway. FGM is illegal in the UK and extremely harmful and is a form of domestic abuse and violence against women and girls.

