# MAPPA



## 7. Key Takeaways

- MAPPA is flexible and responsive adapting to the offenders risk and needs
- It relies on Information Sharing, Collaboration and Structured planning
- The goal is to protect the Public while supporting Offender rehabilitation
- Agencies have a legal duty to Cooperate in the MAPPA process

## 6. MAPPA in Practice

Case Example – Offender with a history of severe Mental Health

**Background** – A Man with a history of sexual offences and severe Mental Health

**MAPPA Level** – Managed at Level 3 due to the complexity and risk.

**Agencies Involved** -Police, Probation, Mental Health Services and Social Services.

#### **Actions Taken:**

- A hospital order was in place under the Mental Health Act.
- A Multi Agency discharge plan was developed before release.
- Supervision and treatment were coordinated post discharge.
- Emergency protocols were agreed upon in case of relapse.

### 1. What is MAPPA?

Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA) are statutory arrangements in the UK designed to manage the risks posed by certain sexual and violent offenders. They were established under Sections 325 to 327 of the Criminal Justice Act 2003.

MAPPA aims to protect the public by ensuring that agencies work together effectively to monitor and manage individuals who pose a risk of serious harm.



## 2. Key Features of MAPPA

#### Purpose:

To assess and manage the risks posed by:

- Registered Sexual Offenders
- Violent offenders sentenced to 12 months or more
- Other dangerous individuals who pose a risk to the public

#### **Responsible Authorities**

Police 
Probation Service 
Prison Service
Other agencies are legally required to
support MAPPA

## 3. MAPPA Meetings

Mappa meetings are structured multi agency discussions held to assess and managed the risks posed by offenders under the Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements.

- To Share information
- To assess the risk an offender poses to the public
- To develop and review Risk Management Plans
- To coordinate actions among agencies to manage risks.
- To monitor compliance with conditions or restrictions.

## 5. Management Levels

MAPPA uses 3 levels of management to determine how offenders are supervised based on the complexity of the case and the level of risk they pose to the public. The levels Apply across all MAPPA categories.

- Level 1 Single agency management (eg Police or Probation alone)
- Level 2 Active Multi Agency Management for Complex Cases
- Level 3 Senior oversight for the highest risk cases

## 4. Categories Of MAPPA

MAPPA classifies offenders into 4 categories to determine the level of risk they pose and the appropriate management strategy and level of multi-agency involvement.

Category 1 – Registered Sex Offenders

- Category 2 Violent and Other Sexual Offenders
- Category 3 Other Dangerous offenders
- Category 4 Terrorism or Terrorism related Offenders