MALE RAPE SUPPORT SERVICE FUND ELIGIBILITY AND EVALUATION CRITERIA

- 1. Fund is open to PCC commissioned services, and non-commissioned specialist services who can evidence that they meet the criteria of the Fund.
- 2. Proposals must be focused on the delivery of high-quality specialist sexual violence services to meet the specific needs of men and boys, and aim to respond to demand arising as a result of the pandemic.
- 3. As well as considering bids from individual providers, we will also consider partnership/collaborative bids, including those that seek to cover more than one geographical area.
- 4. £1.4m is available for **this financial year only**, until 31 March 2022. While there is no formal cap on the amount a single organisation can bid for, we require all bids to demonstrate they are scalable.
- 5. Bids must be submitted to chelsea.lloyd@west-midlands.pnn.police.uk using the attached EOI by 12pm on Monday 21st June.

Eligibility

- 6. To be eligible for this funding, the organisation must <u>currently</u> provide support specifically tailored to meet the needs of male victims of rape and sexual abuse, including recent and non-recent child sexual abuse. Organisations must have a proven track record of effectively supporting male survivors, ideally over several years, and be able to evidence how funding will enable more male survivors to be supported.
- 7. Priority will be to allocate funding to trauma-informed sexual violence support services, rather than to generic mental health services.
- 8. Bids must meet all of the following eligibility criteria:
 - a) The service must be able to provide specialist support to male victims who have experienced rape or sexual abuse at any point in their life. This includes specialist male-only organisations, as well as organisations that support all genders and whose offer includes tailored support for men and boys.
 - b) The organisation must be a registered, independent charity and/or a service that operates in the public interest.
 - c) The organisation must be not for profit.
 - d) Services must be free at the point of delivery.
 - e) Services must be independent of the Police and the Criminal Justice System.

f) The organisation must ensure it meets and maintains current national standards¹ for quality and best practice throughout the Funding Period.

Evaluation Criteria

- 9. Bids will be evaluated and scored based on the following criteria:
 - Need the proposal must address unmet need for men and boys as a result of the pandemic; bids should indicate how many victims will benefit from the support offered.
 - **Specialism** understanding of the gender-specific needs of male victims and survivors of sexual violence and abuse; experience of providing tailored sexual violence support to men and boys.
 - **Delivery of a high-quality service** service providers must evidence the skills and capacity to deliver effective support programmes and interventions to enable men and boys to cope and recover from their experiences.
 - Ability to deliver the proposed support as soon as possible and demonstrate the ability to spend the grant monies in the period for which they are allocated (i.e. by 31 March 2022).
 - Value for money.

Outcomes

10. This Fund seeks to deliver the following outcomes:

- Male survivors have access to high quality services that are sensitive and responsive to the gender specific needs of men and boys.
- Service providers are better equipped to provide a high quality and bespoke support offer for men and boys.

Male survivors are empowered to identify and report what a positive outcome of the support would be for them and this is captured

¹ At the time of competition, national standards include those established by The Male Survivors Partnership, The Survivors Trust and Rape Crisis England and Wales.