

Long-Term Support Needs of Adult Sexual Assault Survivors

Thank you for agreeing to complete a questionnaire.

The questionnaire consists of three sections (A-C). Please try and answer all of the questions as honestly as possible. However, if there are any you cannot answer or do not feel comfortable doing so, please feel free to leave them blank.

Please enter your Personal Identification Number (PIN) included in the email sent to you

SECTION A: ABOUT YOU

- 1. Which of the following are true for you? (*Tick all that apply*)
 - □ I am married and living with my spouse
 - □ I am living with a partner, we are not married
 - □ I am in a relationship with someone I don't live with
 - □ I am single
 - □ I am divorced
 - $\hfill\square$ I have been widowed
 - □ I am separated from my spouse
- 2. Have you been pregnant at any time in the last 6 months? (Tick one box only)
 - □ Yes, I am currently pregnant
 - □ Yes, I am not pregnant not but have been in past 6 months
 - 🗆 No
 - □ Not sure
 - □ Not applicable (male)
- 3. Do you have children?
 - 🗆 No
 - □ Yes (please specify ages of each child below)
 - _____ Child 1 (oldest)
 - _____ Child 2
 - _____ Child 3
 - _____ Child 4
 - _____ Child 5
 - _____ Child 6
- 4. Which of the following best describes where you live? (Tick one box only)
 - □ Own my home (with or without mortgage)
 - □ Rent privately
 - □ Rent from Council or Housing Association
 - □ Lodge with friends or relatives
 - □ In sheltered accommodation or refuge
 - □ Homeless

		Less than 3 months	3 months to 1 year	1 to 5 years	More than 5 years	All my life
5.	How long have you lived at your current address?					
6.	How long have you lived in your current neighbourhood?					
7.	How long have you lived in the North West of England?					
8.	How long have you lived in the UK?					

- 9. Which of the following qualifications do you have? (Tick all that apply, and leave blank if you have none)
 - O levels /CSEs/ GCSEs
 - □ NVQ, GNVQ, Basic Skill/City and Guilds Craft, BTEC First/ General Diploma, RSA diploma, apprenticeship or other vocational qualifications.
 - □ A or AS levels/VCEs, Higher School Certificate, Progression, Advanced Diploma
 - □ Undergraduate Degree (for example BA, BSc)
 - □ Higher degree (for example MA, PhD, PGCE)
 - Professional qualifications
 - □ Other qualifications

10. Currently are you: (Tick all that apply)

- □ Unemployed
- □ Employed full-time
- □ Employed part-time
- □ Studying
- □ Caring for children
- □ Retired
- □ Long-term sick/unable to work
- □ Doing voluntary work
- 11. Which of the following represents your MONTHLY income after any deductions for tax or national insurance? (*Tick one box only*)
 - □ Under £100
 - □ £101-£200
 - □ £201-£400
 - □ £401-£1,000
 - □ £1,001 -£2,000
 - □ £2,001-£3,000
 - □ £3,001-£4,000
 - □ £4,001 £5,000
 - □ Over £5,001

12. How many times in your life have you been sexually assaulted? (Tick one box only)

- □ Once
- □ 2-5 times
- □ 6-10 times
- □ More than 10 times
- 13. In the consent form you completed earlier, did you agree to us linking your questionnaire responses with your St Mary's record?
 - □ Yes (jump to SECTION B you do not have to answer the remaining questions in this section)
 - $\hfill\square$ No (please complete the remaining questions in this section)
- 14. What age were you at your last birthday?
- 15. How would you define your ethnic group?
 - 🛛 Arab
 - □ White British
 - □ White Gypsy or Irish traveller
 - □ White Irish
 - White and Asian
 - White and Black African
 - □ White and Black Caribbean
 - □ White other
 - Black African
 - Black Caribbean
 - □ Black other
 - □ Chinese
 - Bangladeshi
 - Indian
 - Pakistani
 - □ Asian other
 - Other mixed
 - □ Other not listed
 - □ Not sure
- 16. How would you define your gender?
 - □ Woman (including trans woman)
 - □ Man (including trans man)
 - □ Non-binary
 - □ Another way
 - □ Prefer not to say

- 17. Are you a transsexual?
 - □ Yes
 - 🗆 No
 - □ Prefer not to say
- 18. How would you define your sexual orientation?
 - □ Heterosexual (straight)
 - □ Lesbian/Gay
 - □ Bisexual
 - Other not listed
 - □ Not sure
 - □ Prefer not to say
- 19. In the month before the assault for which you attended Saint Mary's SARC, were you: (Tick all that apply)
 - □ Unemployed
 - □ Employed full-time
 - □ Employed part-time
 - □ Studying
 - □ Caring for children
 - □ Retired
 - □ Long-term sick/unable to work
 - □ Doing voluntary work

SECTION B: SUPPORT

1. In the last 3 months, which organisations have you been in contact with as a direct or indirect result of the assault you reported to Saint Mary's? (*Tick all that apply*)

		If yes, how satisfied were you with the way they dealt with you?							
				issatisfied Neither		Very			
	Tick if 'Yes'	dissatisfied				satisfied			
The Police									
Social Services									
Doctors/GP (General Practitioner)									
Accident & Emergency/ Hospital									
Sexual Health Clinic									
Criminal Court (Magistrates or Crown)									
Rape Crisis									
Women's Aid or other Women's Refuge									
Survivors Manchester									
Saint Mary's SARC									
Solicitor/Legal Advice									
Victim/Witness support									
Mental health services/ psychotherapist/ counsellor									
Substance use services									
Other services or helplines. Please Specify:									

If you wish to make comments about the response you received, add them here:

2. In the last 3 months, have you told any of the following people about the sexual assault you reported to Saint Mary's SARC?

		If yes, how satisfied were you with the way they dealt with you?						
	Tick if 'Yes'	Very dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Neither	Satisfied	Very satisfied		
Partner								
Child(ren)								
Other family member(s)								
Friend(s)								
Employer/boss/line manager								
Other work colleague(s)								
Tutor/academic support								
Other, please Specify:								

If you wish to make comments about the response you received, add them here:

3. How important is it for you to get the following now or in the near future? (*Tick one option for each statement*)

	Unimportant	Important	Very important	Essential
A restraining order against the				
perpetrator				
Legal support during the court				
process				
Information about my case in the				
criminal justice system				
Psychological support (therapy and counselling)				
The chance to listen to other victims				
The chance to share experiences with others				
Care of children while attending				
support services or criminal justice				
Financial support to cover expenses related to the assault				
Help to come back into work or studies				
Language support (translation services)				
Help with dealing with the police				
Additional security and access to emergency services				
Support with stopping further online, text or phone harassment				
Support with stopping further verbal or emotional abuse				
Support with stopping further physical or sexual harassment				

SECTION C: IMPACT

The next set of questions asks you about your wellbeing.

 How often have you experienced the following as a result of the assault you recently reported to St Mary's?

	Not at all	A little	A lot	Not applicable
Fear of being assaulted again				
Fear for your safety of your children				
Fear of being trapped in an abusive relationship				
Fear of personal or private information about you being shared				
Problems with your physical health				
Conflict with your family				
Avoiding your family				
Conflict with your friends				
Difficulties with sexual intimacy				
Disinterest in sex				
Finding sex painful/physically uncomfortable				
Avoiding travelling alone				
Avoiding being home alone				
Difficulties caring for others				
Conflict at work or your place of study				
Concerns about your appearance				
Anger about the assault				
Financial in difficulties				
Increase in use of substances (e.g. alcohol, drugs)				

2. Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems?

	Not at all	Several days	More than half days	Nearly every day
Feeling nervous, anxious or on edge				
Not being able to stop or control worrying				
Worrying too much about different things				
Trouble relaxing				
Being so restless that it is hard to sit still				
Becoming easily annoyed or irritable				
Feeling afraid as if something awful might happen				

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	Not at all	Several days	More than half days	Nearly every day
Little interest or pleasure in doing things				
Feeling down, depressed, or hopeless				
Trouble falling or staying asleep, or sleeping too much				
Feeling tired or having little energy				
Poor appetite or overeating				
Feeling bad about yourself – or that you are a failure or have let yourself or your family down				
Trouble concentrating on things, such as reading the newspaper or watching television				
Moving or speaking so slowly that other people could have noticed? Or the opposite – being so fidgety or restless that you have been moving around a lot more than usual				
Thoughts that you would be better off dead or of hurting yourself in some way				

3. Over the last 2 weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems?

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4. Below are a number of problems that people sometimes report in response to traumatic or stressful life events. Please read each item carefully, then circle one of the numbers to the right to indicate how much you have been bothered by that problem <u>in the past month</u> regarding the assault you reported to St Mary's.

	Not at	A little	Moderately	Quite	Extremely
	all	bit		a bit	
Having upsetting dreams that replay					
part of the experience or are clearly					
related to the experience?					
Having powerful images or memories					
that sometimes come into your mind					
in which you feel the experience is					
happening again in the here and now?					
Avoiding internal reminders of the					
experience (for example, thoughts,					
feelings, or physical sensations)?					
Avoiding external reminders of the					
experience (for example, people,					
places, conversations, objects,					
activities, or situations)?					
Being "super-alert" or watchful or on					
guard?					
Feeling jumpy or easily startled?					

4a. In the past month how much have the above problems:

	Not at all	A little bit	Moderately	Quite a bit	Extremely
Affected your relationships or social life?					
Affected your work or ability to work?					
Affected any other important part of your life such as parenting, or school or college work, or other important activities?					

5. Below are problems that people who have had stressful or traumatic events sometimes experience. The questions refer to ways you <u>typically</u> feel, ways you <u>typically</u> think about yourself and ways you <u>typically</u> related to others. Answer the following, thinking about how true each statement is for you.

How true is this of you?	Not at	A little	Moderately	Quite	Extremely
	all	bit		a bit	
When I am upset, it takes a long					
time to calm down					
I feel numb or emotionally shut					
down					
I feel like a failure					
I feel worthless					
I feel distant or cut off from					
people					
I find it hard to stay emotionally					
close to people					

5a. In the past month, have the above problems in emotions, in beliefs about yourself and in relationships:

	Not at all	A little bit	Moderately	Quite a bit	Extremely
Created concern or distress about your relationships or social life					
Affected your work or ability to work?					
Affected any other important part of your life such as parenting, or school or college work, or other important activities?					

You have reached the end of the questionnaire, thank you very much for completing it.

To help us further understand the long-term needs of sexual assault survivors, we would like to find out how you are doing in the future: in 6, 12 and 24 months time. Would you be willing for us to contact you using the contact details you have already provided to complete a similar questionnaire at one or more of these time points?

- □ Yes
- 🗆 No

If, as a result of answering the questions, you feel you need further support from St Mary's or would like to explain your answers in more detail, please email Dr Rabiya Majeed Email: Rabiya.Majeed@mft.nhs.uk

We hope that completing this questionnaire has not caused you any distress. If you feel you need some help, the following can offer support:

- Samaritans <u>https://www.samaritans.org</u>
- The Manchester Action on Street Health (MASH) http://www.mash.org.uk
- Men's Room https://mroom.co.uk/contact-us/
- Survivors Manchester <u>https://www.survivorsmanchester.org.uk</u>
- Rape Crisis <u>https://www.manchesterrapecrisis.co.uk</u>
- Women's Aid https://pankhursttrust.org/manchester-womens-aid/get-help