

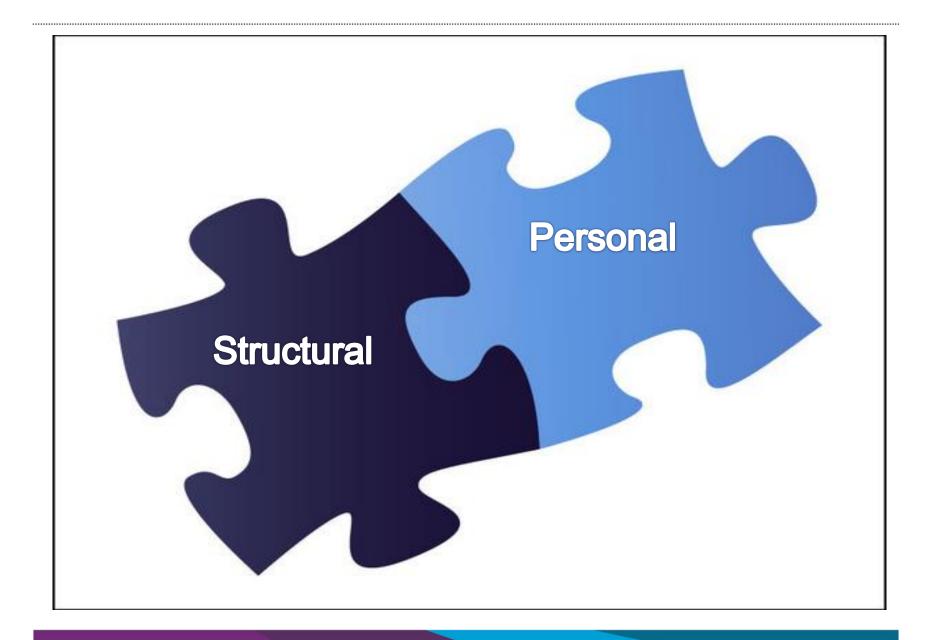
Older people & domestic violence

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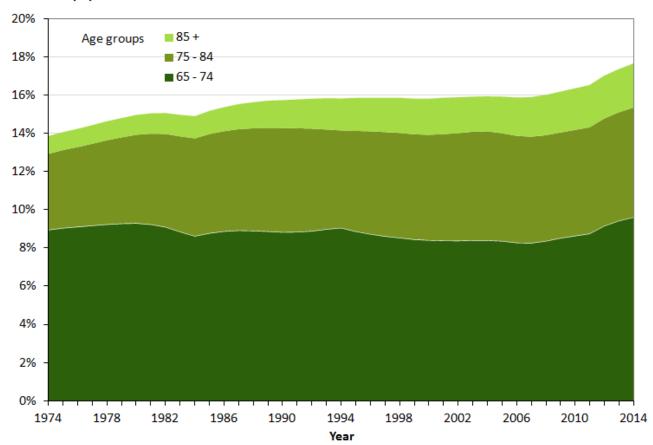
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Why focus on older people?

% of total population



Structural issue #1: More need, less money

- Almost £2 billion has been cut from older people's social care in the last 10 years.
- More than one in every eight older people in this country are now living with some level of unmet need for care
- A quarter of a million older people with multiple unmet care needs, struggling alone
- It would be far more cost effective, as well as infinitely more humane, to give these older people the care and support they need.



Social services say I'm expected to be his carer when my husband comes back. He's put me down for years, he controls my life. I'm unwell at the thought of him coming home.

I am 76 years old and only moved back to the UK six years ago, my pensions only worth a few pounds a month. I don't know where to turn or who to ask. He's in hospital now, but I know he'll be back drinking when he gets out. I can't bear the thought of moving out of this house.

I cannot stand for him to come home after his operation, and I've been looking into how I can kill myself if he does come back.

Structural Issue #2: Recognition



Structural issue #3: Understanding



Structural issue #4: Joined up approaches



Structural issue #5 Developing the law



Making it Personal



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Thank you

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