



MAPPING THE MAZE

Listening to the voices of women experiencing multiple disadvantage

AVA, in partner with the Agenda, the alliance for women and girls at risk, are delivering a project to map current service provision for women facing multiple disadvantage in the UK. As part of the project, we are looking to consult with women that have lived experience of multiple disadvantage about their views towards gender-sensitive services for women with complex needs.

To do this, we are looking for three partner organisations across England and Wales to organise a short consultation with women that have lived experience of multiple disadvantage. This will involve holding a meeting with 8-12 women and preparing notes of the session.

To deliver the meeting, you will be:

- reimbursed up to £1,000 to cover the cost of staff time organising and holding the meeting and preparing notes, and to enable women with lived experience to participate, i.e. to cover the cost of travel and childcare and to compensate them for their time.
- provided with full guidance and all materials needed to run the consultation.

We would like to hear from any organisations that:

- have access to the target audience;
- have staff with experience of conducting focus groups and consultations;
- have capacity to hold a two-hour consultation meeting with 8-12 participants and write up notes of the discussion by the end of September 2016; and
- are able to offer on-going support to any women that participate in the consultation.

If you meet this criteria and would like to be involved in this new project helping to shine a spotlight on the importance of and need for services for women and girls experiencing multiple disadvantage, please complete the short questionnaire overleaf and return to jennifer.holly@avaproject.org.uk by August 9th 2016.

All applicants will be considered and informed of the outcome of their application by August 18th. The primary selection criteria is ensuring we gather a wide range of views across England and Wales.

1) Please provide the following details about yourself and your organisation.

Name	
Position	
Organisation	
Organisation address	
Email address	
Telephone number	
Purpose/role of organisation	

2) Please briefly outline who you would invite to attend a consultation meeting about services for women with multiple disadvantages, i.e. would it be women with lived experience, other stakeholders, a mix?

3) What experience does your organisation have in participating in research, particularly holding focus groups or consultations?

4) Who will be responsible for organising the consultation? Do they have capacity to undertake this piece of work?

5) What support will be made available to any women with lived experience that may attend your consultation meeting?

6) Please outline the costs of running the consultation, including the amount of staff time required and your daily rate for staff. We typically budget £20 in vouchers for women attending such events.