

## Pledge to help victims of domestic abuse – a guide to workplace policies

Companies and employers have an important role to play in helping to prevent domestic abuse where it impacts on the workplace - and when a victim's work, productivity and safety are affected.

Remember the workplace may be the only safe place for a victim of domestic abuse - but it can be a place of risk if a violent/abusive/controlling and coercive partner or ex-partner knows the victim's place of work.

There is support and best practice guidelines for employers to ensure their domestic abuse policies are robust and protect those who are vulnerable.

## **Support and Resources**

Best practice guidelines for drafting domestic abuse policies include:

- Norfolk County Council Domestic Abuse information including workplace policies
- UK Business in the Community Domestic Abuse Toolkit
- Employers Initiative on Domestic Abuse (EIDA)
- <u>UNISON (UK) Domestic violence and abuse: A trade union issue. A free</u> UNISON guide, December 2015

The Vodaphone Foundation have produced a toolkit to enable managers to help any affected employees to get the support they need. <u>Download the toolkit from their website</u>. Vodaphone have also shared useful <u>images and videos on their Flickr photostream</u>.