

IRISi NEWS

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#EveryPieceMatters: International Women's Day campaign

IRISi is a social enterprise established to promote and improve the healthcare response to gender-based violence. Our staff team is wholly composed of women and one of our main missions is to enable clinicians to identify women who are being affected by Domestic Violence and Abuse (DVA).

International Women's Day couldn't be more representative for us. That's why we decided to celebrate 2021 International Women's Day with the campaign "**IRIS, the big picture**" – creating a moment to put together each of our lives and experiences to build up our (lovely and loving) big picture.

**AS A WOMAN WORKING
TO ADDRESS VIOLENCE
AGAINST WOMEN AND
GIRLS, WHAT DO YOU
BELIEVE YOUR PART IS?**

That's the question we asked to our network and all the responses were transformed in a piece of a puzzle. At the end of the campaign, we could finally see the puzzle that all we belong to - and the power of each of our pieces when they fit in together. To see the results, please click in the button.

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PRECODE: researchers to explore the impact of the coronavirus pandemic on domestic abuse referrals in primary care



A new study led by researchers at the University of Bristol's Centre for Academic Primary Care in collaboration with colleagues in Queen Mary University of London, UCL, University of Oxford and IRISi will explore whether and how GP referrals to domestic abuse services have changed during the coronavirus pandemic. To provide a detailed picture of impact, the PRECODE study will be combined with data from interviews with general practice teams and IRIS advocate educators. [READ MORE >>](#)

Assessing for Domestic Violence and Abuse in Sexual Health Environments: IRIS ADViSE launched

The IRIS ADViSE Programme was officially launched on the 24th of March 2021, during a one-hour online webinar. The initiative supports sexual health staff to identify and respond to patients affected by domestic violence and abuse (DVA), helping to refer them to specialist services, and has originated from a successful, evidence-based programme in general practice which responded to patients affected by domestic abuse, IRIS (Identification and Referral to Improve Safety). Medina Johnson, Chief Executive at IRISi, said: *"It was a great opportunity to learn how to improve the identification and response to patients affected by domestic violence and abuse, and facilitate referral to specialist services."* [READ MORE>>](#)

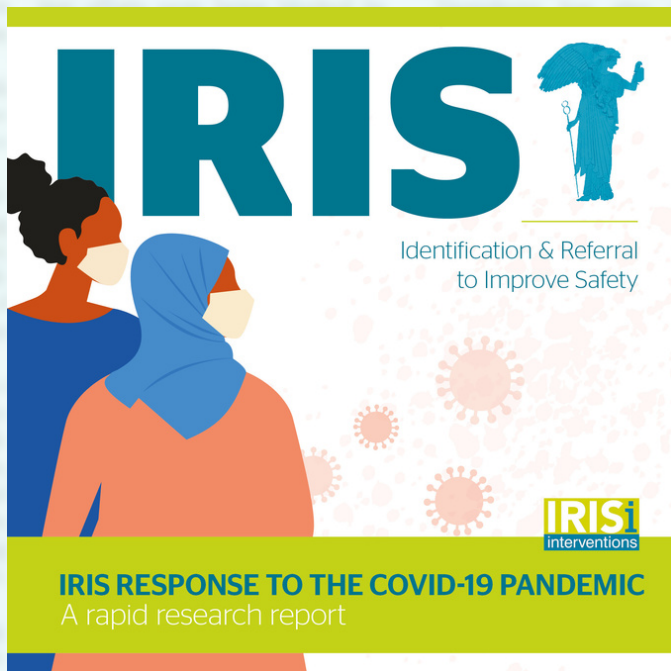


Would you like to give us a hand?

Do you have something to share about IRISi or the IRIS Programme - such as the results of your site, suggestions or feedbacks? We would love to hear from you! Please email us at geisa.davo@irisi.org.



HIGHLIGHTS



RAPID RESEARCH

IRISi decided to run a piece of rapid research to address a concern from commissioners and service providers around the lack of evidence in terms of acceptability and effectiveness of the IRIS programme under remote ways of working. [READ MORE>>](#)

COST-EFFECTIVENESS

IRIS is cost-effective and saves money for society and the NHS as a whole. As such, it should be considered an effective health intervention that is worth investing in at the primary care level. [READ MORE>>](#)



SINCE 2017

IRISi is a social enterprise established in 2017, more precisely on the 23rd of February of that year. To celebrate our 4th anniversary, we have selected 4 things you need to know about IRISi. [READ MORE >>](#)

