

Predatory Marriage



Hidden in Plain Sight...

Predatory Marriage is an emerging form of exploitation targeting vulnerable older adults. It can happen anywhere and to anyone, but those who lack mental capacity are especially vulnerable. Coercion and control is a key part of this shocking form of abuse.

With a growing elderly population, we all need to do what we can to keep people safe from harm, exploitation and abuse

Key facts:

- Predators identify victims through a range of methods and groom them
- The grooming process is often hidden in plain sight
- If a marriage takes place, any previous Will made by the victim is revoked, which is almost impossible to challenge
- If there is a power of attorney, the attorney is not notified if the victim marries
- Predatory marriage can happen to men or women.

Visit **www.predatorymarriage.uk** to find out more about predatory marriage.

Visit **www.tsab.org.uk** to find out how to report this type of abuse.

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