

**Drug related intimidation
can be devastating for
individuals, families and
communities.**

There is help available.



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Further information:

Tel: 1800 459 459
or email helpline@hse.ie

www.drugs.ie

In an emergency call 999/112



Responding to Drug Related Intimidation & Violence in Ireland

**Free & confidential supports for
people impacted by Drug Related
Intimidation and Violence**

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You Have Options

Drug related intimidation and violence is a serious and insidious problem that affects individuals, families and communities throughout the country.

Drug related intimidation occurs when a criminal or criminals allege that a sum of money is owed as a result of a drug debt. Individuals or family members may be subjected to intimidation or the threat of intimidation.

Drug related intimidation can take many forms. Some examples include verbal threats, physical violence, damage to home or property, sexual violence or threats of a sexual nature.

Being intimidated can be a very frightening experience. You may feel you have nowhere to turn or you may worry about what will happen if you seek help.



Free and confidential supports are available in your local area from a range of community, voluntary and statutory services and agencies.

You Are Not Alone

Community Support Services :

There are specially trained family support workers and drug and alcohol workers in community based support services in your area who can help you in a safe and confidential way.

These services will:

- Explain the services' approach to the issue of intimidation.
- Explore your personal experience of intimidation.
- Provide details of the range of supports and services available in your local area.
- Advise you of the confidential supports available through An Garda Síochána.
- Discuss all other available supports.



Find Your Local Support Service at:
www.driveproject.ie

There is Help

Drug Related Intimidation Reporting Programme:

Throughout the country, and within each Garda Division there are specially trained Garda Inspectors who will:

- Meet you confidentially & safely at a location that suits you.
- Provide practical safety information.
- Listen to your particular experience of intimidation and discuss options available to you.
- Give information on a range of addiction supports available in your local area if required.
- Outline the process if you choose to make a formal complaint to An Garda Síochána.



Find contact details of your local Drug Related Intimidation Inspector at:
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