The Journey of Probation Domestic Abuse Interventions

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**Summary:** Domestic abuse can have a devastating effect on individuals and families. In Northern Ireland the police respond to an incident of domestic abuse every 19 minutes. The Probation Board for Northern Ireland (PBNI) has developed a number of programmes to tackle male perpetrators of domestic abuse. This article describes the programmes that have been developed, and discusses the evaluation of the Integrated Domestic Abuse Programme (IDAP). This evaluation has helped PBNI develop its approach to tackling domestic abuse.

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