

**1. Is specific training given to all or any West Midlands Police (WMP) constables for dealing with 'mental capacity' issues under provision or the Mental Capacity Act 2005?**

Yes

**If Yes:**

This was given as Continuous Professional Development days over the last 3 years with a package from the College of Policing. It is also part of the new recruit training and forms part of the 4hr input to all staff.

**Please give the title(s) or description of the relevant training courses  
How often is refresher training given?**

Continuous Professional Development delivery yearly to officers who want it and update to all staff as part of the yearly personal safety training.

**2. Is specific training for dealing with 'mental capacity' issues under provision of the Mental Capacity Act 2005 (MCA) given to West Midlands Police (WMP) constables who work in or with 'street triage teams' (STT)?**

Yes

**If Yes**

**Please give title(s) or description of the relevant training courses?  
How often is refresher training given?**

Input given to all staff upon entry into the team. Refresher training yearly.

**3. Please provide a copy of policy adopted by WMP to assess citizens without a mental history, for possible 'mental capacity' issue under provisions of MCA.**

We use guidance issued by the Department of Health and the Department for Constitutional Affairs

<http://webarchive.nationalarchives.gov.uk/+http://www.dca.gov.uk/menincap/mca-act-easyread.pdf>

**4. Please provide a copy of procedures (and/or code of conduct) adopted by WMP for its officers and other staff to deal reasonably, fairly and lawfully with 'mental capacity' issues under provisions of MCA.**

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**5. Please provide a copy of WMP policy and procedures for reasonable and lawful approach of an individual citizen who lives alone and where WMP concludes that they need to be approached regarding 'mental capacity' under provisions of MCA.**

This is being developed in the new approach from the College of Policing and will be delivered to all front facing staff from November 2016

**6. During each of the previous four year and the current period to 31 May 2016, please say:**

**(a) How many individuals without prior history of mental issues/illness, has WMP recorded as requiring 'mental capacity' assessment under provision of MCA.**

This is not recorded and so no information is held.

**(b) How many individuals with prior history of mental issues/illness, has WMP recorded as requiring 'mental capacity' assessment under provision of MCA.**

This is not recorded and so no information is held.