

# Multidisciplinary work in Danish Police, Copenhagen District

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Intimate partner violence



Sexual assault and rape



Stalking and harassment



Honour based violence



## IN COPENHAGEN DISTRICT:

- ❖ Education and training: trauma informed practice, criminal investigative techniques
- ❖ Professional feedback on cases in the Criminal Investigation Unit and
- ❖ Partnership building with social services and civil organisations



# Formalised multidisciplinary frameworks

- ❖ In cases where there is reason to believe that a child or young person under 18 is being mistreated, the police will notify the social authorities. **Systematic screening.**
- ❖ SSP – Cooperation between social services, schools and police to prevent further escalation of youth crime
- ❖ PSP - Cooperation between psychiatry, social services and police can be initiated, if s perpetrator or victim suffers from mental illness. The cooperation is adapted to fit local circumstances by decision within the respective police districts.
- ❖ Local partnerships



# Multidisciplinary work - challenges

- ❖ Cultural differences due to different legislation – Law on Social Services, Criminal Law and specialised civil organisations/NGOs
  - *Example from emergency call*
- ❖ Different rules and limited access to exchanging information about adult citizens due to General Data Protection Regulations etc.



# Best practice / cooperation frameworks working against IPV

- ❖ Cooperation with national organisation – Live Without Violence
- ❖ Cooperation with national organisation – Dialogue Against Domestic Violence
- ❖ Systematic screening and follow-up guidance after police visits due to e.g. domestic disturbances.



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**DIALOG  
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# **Round Table in Latvia**

**Jesper Rønn-Simonsen**

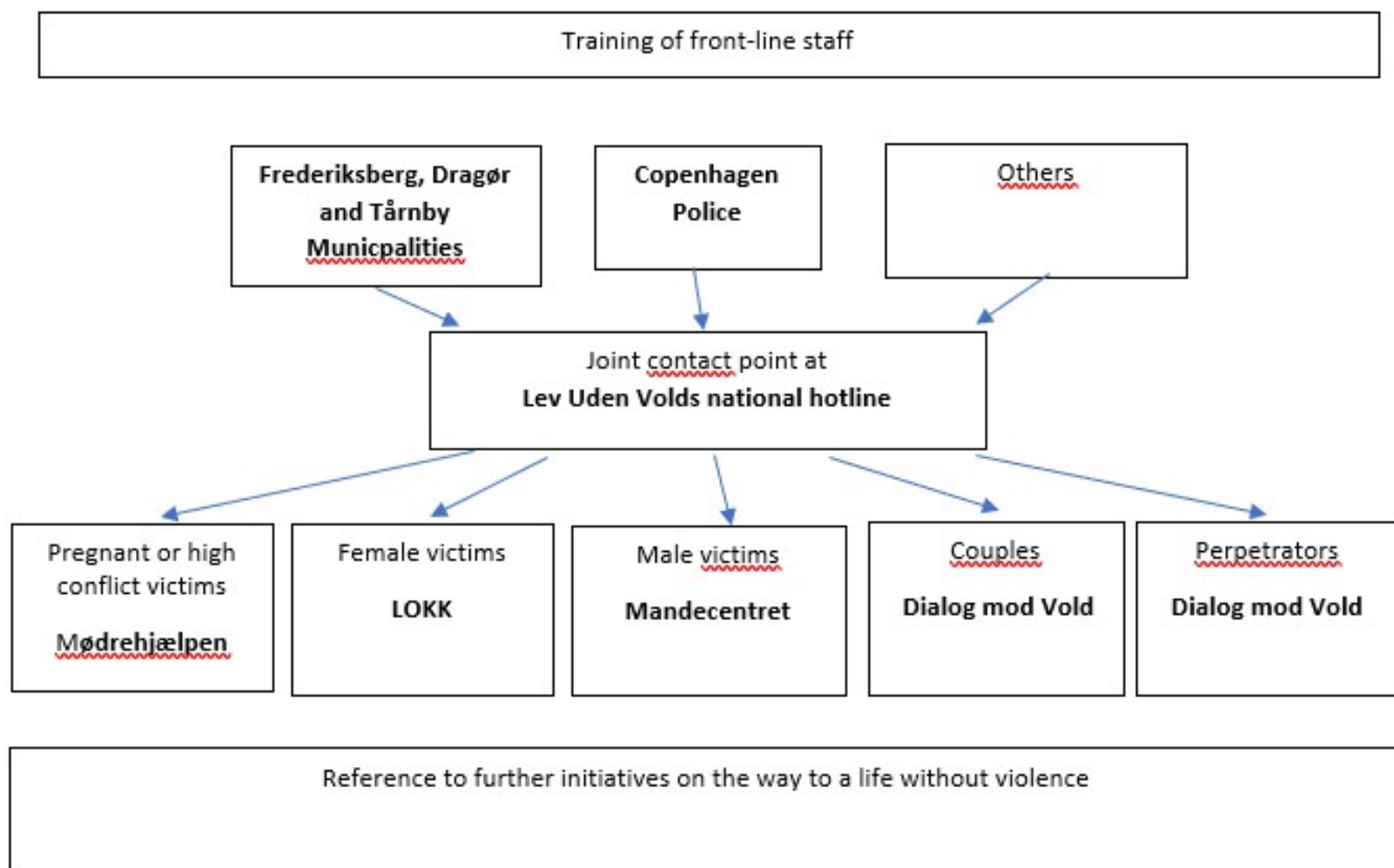
**Director**

**Dialogue against Domestic Violence**

**3. November 2022**

# The intervention model

- Builds on a previous, succesful project
- Funded by the Danish government
- August 2022 – december 2024





# Training

- Workshops and training sessions
- Helping police and municipality front-line personnel to identify cases of domestic violence



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# Finding the families

## Front-line workers

- Speak up on suspicions
- Inform about treatment options
- Get approval for data sharing if citizens accept treatment offer
- Give brochure and phone follow up if citizens decline treatment offer

# The joint contact at Lev Uden Vold

The phone line contact the citizens and:

- Check if there is an immediate safety problem and refer to crisis center or hospital if required
- Check which of the five target groups they belong to
- Inform that the citizen will be offered up to five sessions
- Get approval and give data to treatment NGO

# The sessions in the NGOs

- Risk assesment
- Client needs and wants
- Councelling
- Focus on any children
- Possibly couple sessions if safe
- Help with referral and further treatment



# Follow-up

- Continued treatment in NGOs
- Help with other social issues in municipalities
- Referral to other treatment options





Spørsmål?