



# Masterclass (non-fatal) strangulation

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This masterclass focusses on one of the most hidden and lethal forms of domestic violence, with very serious consequences for the victims: (non-fatal) strangulation. The 1-day Masterclass is recommended for professionals in learning the basics about the dynamics and impact of non-fatal strangulation, and how to recognize, disclose, question and investigate this form of violence. The role of the different professions (police, justice, help, victim support, medical and health care) is described.

Strangulation has been identified as one of the most lethal forms of domestic violence and sexual assault: unconsciousness may occur within seconds and death within minutes. Strangulation is an ultimate form of power and control where the perpetrator can demonstrate control over the victim's next breath: it may have devastating psychological effects or a potentially fatal outcome. Strangulation is more common in domestic violence cases than previously thought.

This masterclass is interactive and based on case-studies and evidence-based methodology. It offers the professional tools and knowledge

to deal with this form of violence and integrate specific attention into the daily work, with the purpose to prevent (further) strangulation, and reduce the impact and revictimization of the victims.

If you want some more background information, please click [here](#).

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## TARGET GROUP

The masterclass is aimed at professionals who come in contact and/or work with victims of domestic violence and sexual violence. Main target groups are police officers and social workers at police, prosecutors, judges, criminologists, women's aid, doctors and nurses, social workers, case managers and therapists at victim support, social services, mental health sector, perpetrator programs, policy makers ...

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