# Another Chance: A multi-centre randomised controlled trial of focused deterrence in England

A multi-centre randomised controlled trial evaluation of the effectiveness of focused deterrence interventions to reduce violent offending.

# **Key details**

Status	Ongoing
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# **Hypothesis**

Allocation to the intervention condition will be associated with a:

- reduction in the number of violent offences compared to the control condition
- longer time to a violent offence compared to the control condition
- reduction in the number of co-offending violent offences compared to the control condition.

## Geographical area

Manchester, Leicester, Nottingham, Coventry and Wolverhampton

### **Target sample size**

2,500

# Participants - inclusion criteria

Eligibility criteria vary across sites, but typically involve individuals at risk of involvement in violence aged 14 to 40 years.

#### **Interventions**

Focused deterrence.

# Study design

Multi-centre, two-arm, stratified randomised controlled trials with random allocation of individuals.

#### Outcome measures

- Number of violence against the person offences (police records)
- Time to offence (police records)
- Co-offending (police records)