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**Vulnerability Investigation
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What is vulnerability

A person is vulnerable if, as a result of an impairment, their environment or circumstances, they are unable to take care of or protect themselves from harm or exploitation



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Impairment

MENTAL
PHYSICAL
ILLNESS
AGE



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Environment

No specific definition around environment but could be where a person is homeless

Could be where a person depends on the offender

Could be where a person is being used in servitude or trafficked



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Circumstances

Circumstances is a catch all category where a judgement can be made on each individual case

Examples may include financial difficulties or perhaps someone's immigration status

May overlap with impairment and environment



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Domestic Abuse

All High Medium and Standard risk domestic abuse between intimate partners

All High risk domestic abuse between non-intimate partners



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Adult Protection

Rape investigations that are not DA related

Investigations into care homes

Investigations into MH institutions

Hate Crime

Work very closely with adult social services

Priority is the safeguarding of vulnerable adults



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Child Protection

Child Abuse

Historic Child Abuse

Includes physical mental and sexual

**Work with Children Services to
safeguard children**



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People trafficking and slavery

VIT work closely with CID

VIT will safeguard victims of trafficking

NRM

Evidence gathering

CID progress criminal case



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Some challenges

Increase in historic child sexual offences

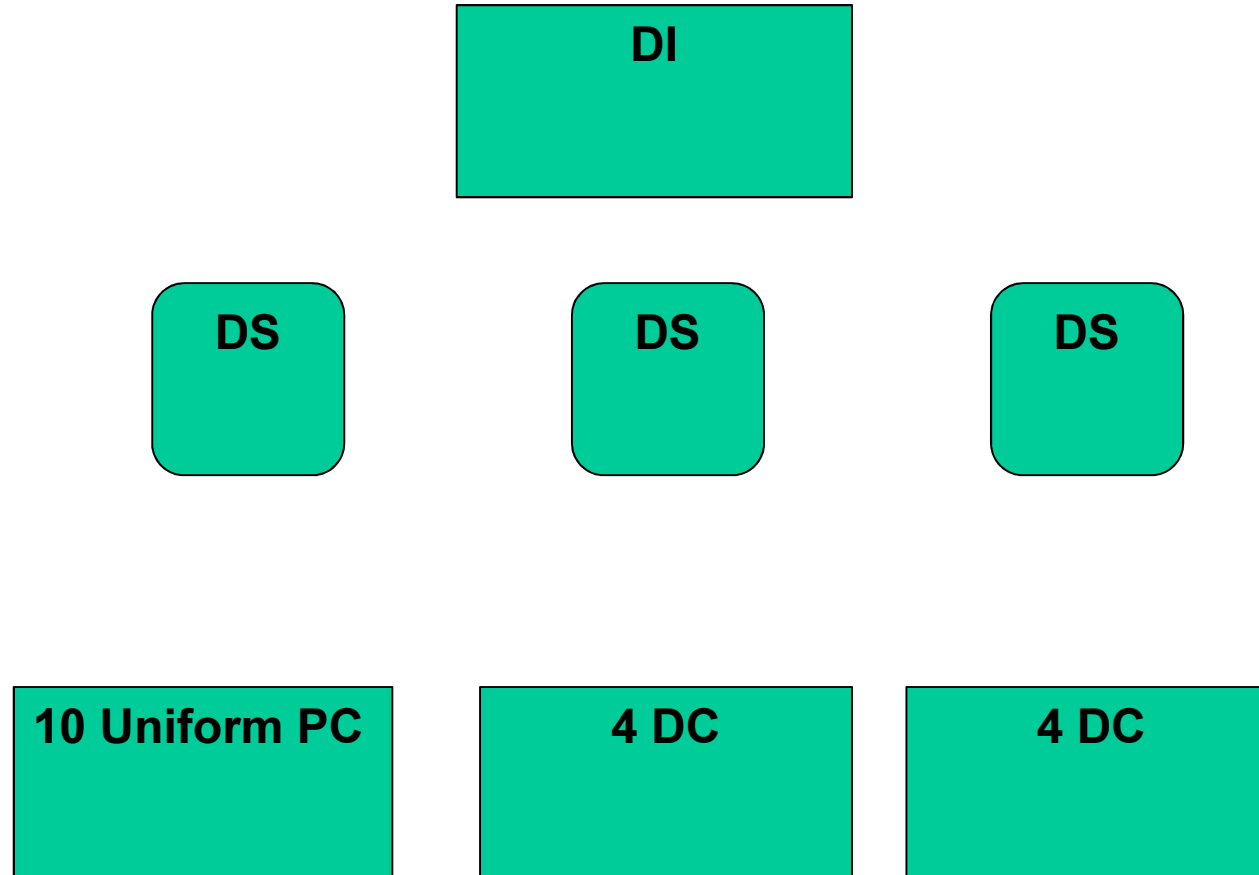
People trafficking

Technology Images sent between young persons and children



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Team Structure



Examples of successes

Rescue of Nigerian Slave

Imprisonment of offender for historic sexual offences even though victim had passed away

Many more similar examples



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Questions

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