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Title: Co-creation of value: Understanding the assessment of vulnerability across Law Enforcement and Public Health

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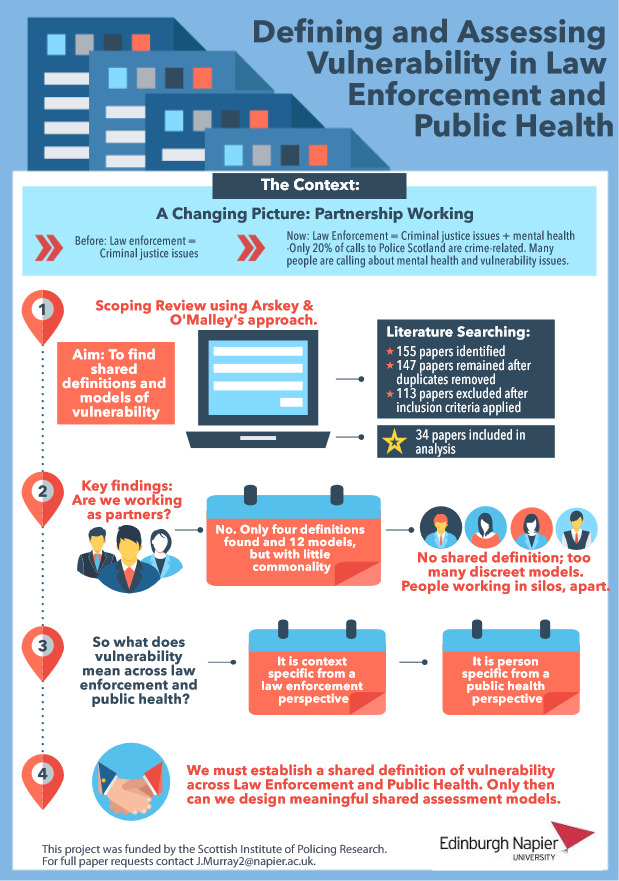
Summary

As police contact has and continues to increase with people who are considered vulnerable, it is essential to establish a better understanding of what it means for a person to be vulnerable. To best assess whether someone is vulnerable, some form of definition or at least conceptualisation of the meaning is needed, and, as vulnerability and working with people who are vulnerable on the front line will encompass both a policing and health perspective, co-creation at the point of identifying shared areas for exploration and shared definitions are essential. The current research, presented in Infographics 1 and 2, describe research carried out to first identify the five co-created priority areas for Law Enforcement and Public Health research in Scotland and, second, to take one of these forward (a focus on vulnerability) to develop a shared understanding of this across the professional groups. This research is presented as an update to an article published in the SIPR Annual Review (Murray *et al.*, 2018).

Infographic 1. The five priority areas identified for Law Enforcement and Public Health research in Scotland. Published: Murray *et al.* (2018)



Infographic 2. Identifying a shared understanding of vulnerability across Law Enforcement and Public Health literature. Published: Enang *et al.* (2019).



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