

# EmilyTest Network Information Pack



## Background

EmilyTest is a charity committed to improving Gender-Based Violence (GBV) prevention, intervention and support at universities and colleges throughout the UK and Ireland. EmilyTest was set up in memory of Emily Drouet, an 18 year old law student who was subjected to a sustained campaign of GBV from a fellow student while attending university away from home. Emily sought support from her university, however staff were not equipped with the tools and knowledge to respond appropriately or to adequately assess risk and Emily was sent back to her room alone. Over the following week, she was assaulted several more times. Shortly after the perpetrator's last visit to her student accommodation, Emily took her own life.

Emily's story, alongside the findings of extensive research carried out by EmilyTest, identified significant gaps in knowledge, understanding and practice around GBV within universities and colleges. EmilyTest has since worked with institutions throughout the UK and Ireland to address this gap through delivery of the EmilyTest GBV Charter Award, extensive research, training, awareness raising and campaigning.

## Creation of a Member Network

The EmilyTest Network was developed following discussions with institutions throughout the UK and Ireland who are committed to improving GBV approaches at their institution but who may not be able to commit to EmilyTest's more focused Charter Award work at this time. This may be as a result of common challenges with finance and staffing faced across the sector, or simply because the Charter Award is not yet available in their country.

The EmilyTest Network provides an alternative way to join EmilyTest's mission and commit to improving GBV approaches.

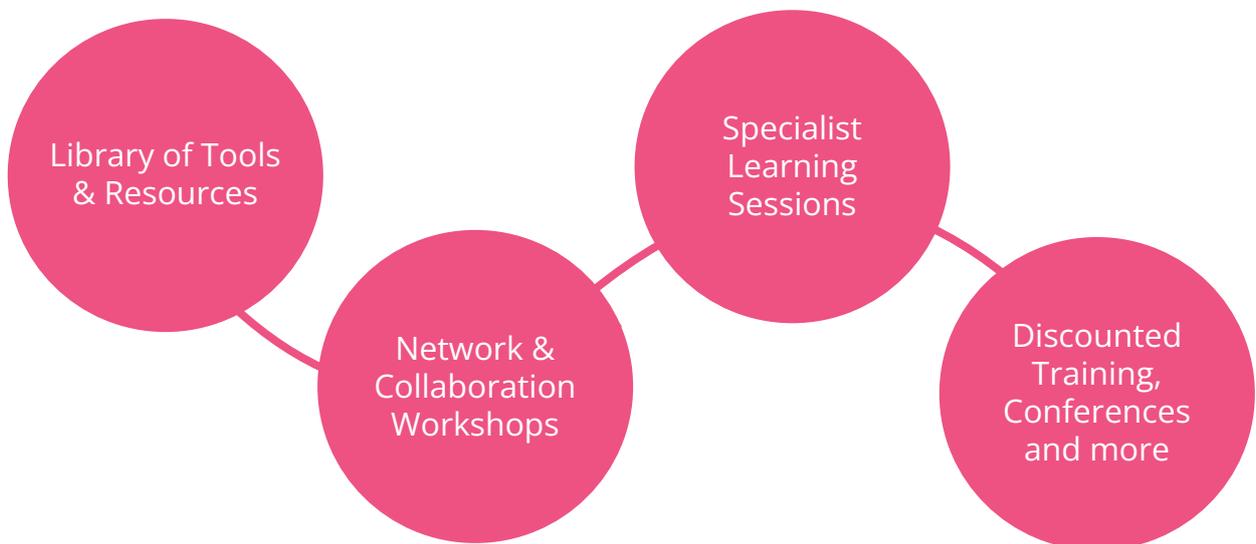
## Who can become a Member?

The EmilyTest Network is open to universities and colleges in the UK and Ireland.

EmilyTest want to create a community of people and institutions, who are committed to improving prevention, intervention and support in relation to Gender-Based Violence.

## Membership Benefits

Members of the EmilyTest Network will become part of a growing movement of universities and colleges throughout the UK and Ireland, with access to:



### Library of Tools

Institutions in the EmilyTest Network will have access to an online library of tools & resources to support them in developing GBV approaches at their institution. This includes resources developed by EmilyTest to provide clear, concise and up-to-date information on often complex topics, as well as EmilyTest approved external research and guidance.

The EmilyTest library of tools & resources will provide an invaluable source of learning on the path towards improving GBV responses, saving institutions time and effort, and providing access to the most relevant and up-to-date information.

The Library of Tools is searchable, with resources split into subcategories to help institutions to find the right information:

SEARCH FOR:

**Search**

Welcome to the Library of Tools!

This is a dedicated space designed to support your Gender-Based Violence (GBV) work. Whether you're at the beginning stages, looking to refine existing approaches, or working towards achieving the EmilyTest GBV Charter, the Library of Tools offers a wealth of useful information, guidance and practical resources to help you drive meaningful change on your campus.

How to use the Library of Tools:

To help you find the resources you need the Library of Tools is organised into four main categories:

- GBV Explainers
- Research & Guidance
- Training & Learning
- Tools & Templates

Within these categories you'll find a wealth of useful information and practical tools in different formats and languages to support your GBV work. We ask members to read our Library of Tools Policy (see below) before accessing and using these resources

**Subcategories**

Gender-Based Violence Explainers	Research and Guidance	Tools and Templates
Network Materials	Training & Learning	

## Network & Collaboration Workshops

Institutions in the EmilyTest Network are invited to two, half day, online Network & Collaboration Workshops each year, where they will have the opportunity to:

- Learn from EmilyTest and other expert speakers.
- Take part in supported learning on focused areas of GBV prevention, intervention and support.
- Reflect on current practice and set clear achievable goals for ongoing GBV work at their institution.
- Engage with peers working on GBV approaches at institutions throughout the UK and Ireland to share learning, practice and challenges.
- Learn from institutions who have been awarded the EmilyTest Charter.
- Learn more about the EmilyTest GBV Charter Award.

## Learning & Insight Sessions

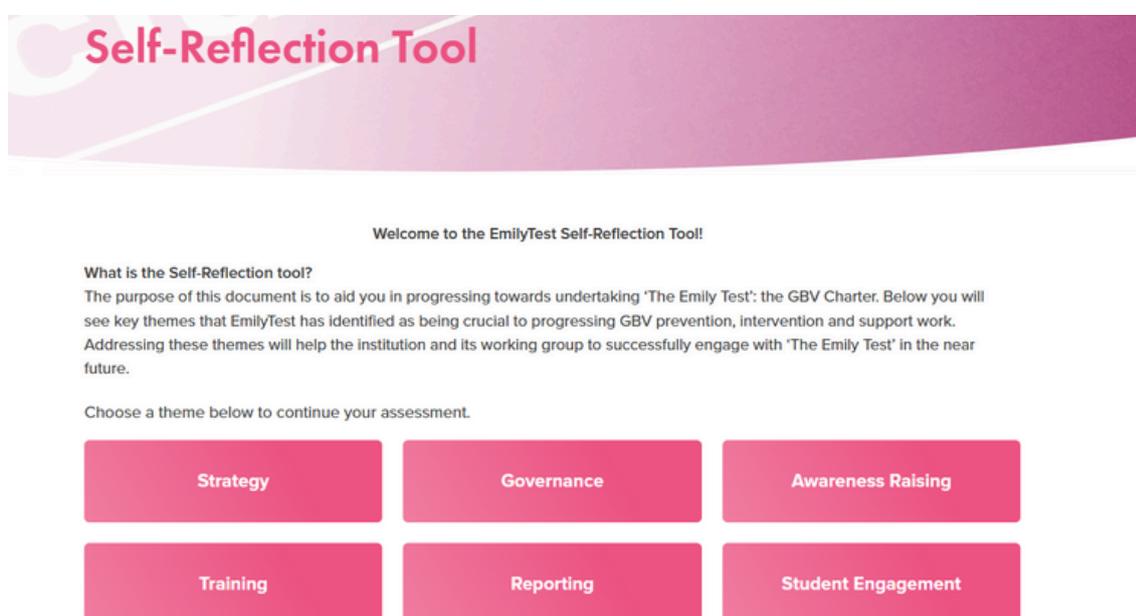
As part of the EmilyTest Network institutions will be invited to four Learning & Insight Sessions per year with guest speakers from across a range of key GBV policy areas. Past sessions include input from the Institute for Addressing Strangulation (IFAS) and AMINA Muslim Women's Resource Centre. Session themes will be guided by feedback from members of the Network as well as evolving areas of GBV policy.

## GBV Self-Reflection Tool

As part of the EmilyTest Network institutions have access to EmilyTest's online GBV Self-Reflection Tool. This Tool is designed to support institutions to reflect on current practice across key areas of GBV prevention, intervention and support and to identify areas for ongoing improvement.

When joining the Network, we ask institutions to take time to complete the Self-Reflection Tool within the first three months. Thereafter, we encourage institutions to update the GBV Self-Reflection Tool on, at least, an annual basis.

The EmilyTest team can provide more in-depth coaching and support to achieve goals through our [GBV Charter](#).



## Discounts

As a Network Member institutions can access reduced prices for EmilyTest training, conference and Charter Award fees. Network institutions receive:

- 10% discount on EmilyTest's L.I.S.T.E.N. GBV Risk Assessment Tool training.
- 10% discount on EmilyTest's Aware & Empowered educational sessions.
- 10% discount on EmilyTest Annual Conference tickets.
- 10% discount on one-off Charter fees (if progressing to Charter within one year of joining the Network).

More information on EmilyTest's training and Charter can be found [here](#).

## Commitment & Expectations

Institutions can engage with the EmilyTest Network as much or as little as suits them. To gain the most value from the Network, EmilyTest recommends, at a minimum, attending the two online Network & Collaboration Workshops per year and actively engaging with other institutions across the UK and Ireland.

In addition, EmilyTest ask institutions to complete the GBV Self Reflection Tool within the first three months of joining the Network, and thereafter at least on an annual basis. This will help to reflect on current practice and support institutions to utilise the resources available through the Network.

## Network Agreement

All members of the EmilyTest Network sign a Network Agreement which outlines mutual expectations, roles and responsibilities. The Agreement defines the scope of support and resources provided by EmilyTest and sets out commitments required from the Institution, as a member of the EmilyTest Network.

## Publicity

EmilyTest encourage members of the Network to communicate their commitment to GBV work by displaying the EmilyTest Network badge and information publicly. Institutions may wish to include reference to Network membership on their website and within email signatures (particularly for student facing staff).

This helps current and prospective students understand the university or college's approach to GBV and fosters a culture of openness and transparency.

## Contacts

Change to GBV prevention, intervention and support requires a whole-university approach with comittment from staff across all levels and areas of the institution.

Network Member's should provide at least two named contacts. These contacts will automatically be added to the EmilyTest Network mailing list, ensuring they are invited to all Network events. These contacts will receive a login to the EmilyTest member area where they can access key information, tools and resources.

Additional contacts can be added to meet the needs of individual institutions.

## Cost

Fees have been co-developed between EmilyTest and universities and colleges across the UK.

EmilyTest is committed to keeping Network fees at a subsidised level where possible, with support from external funding. This helps ensure that institutions can prioritise GBV work without being restricted by the financial pressures commonly experienced across the sector.

Institutions pay an annual fee to be part of the EmilyTest Network.

**The Network Fee is based on the type, size and location of each institution.**

Membership is valid from 1st September to 31st August each year. In the first year, institutions pay a pro rata fee based on the month they join the EmilyTest Network. They will then renew membership by 1<sup>st</sup> September each year.

**[A breakdown of fees can be found on our website.](#)**

## Joining the Network

Institutions can join the EmilyTest Network at any time throughout the year.

To join, fill out our registration form here:

<https://www.emilytest.org/about-network/>

To complete the registration from institutions will need a note of:

- Student Full-Time Equivalent (FTE) numbers from the most recent academic year
- Contact details for two members of institution staff
- Contact details for finance department (if different)
- Purchase order number, if needed, for invoicing

To prevent our emails from being missed, we kindly ask that institutions add us to email contact lists ([network@emilytest.org](mailto:network@emilytest.org)) This will help ensure that all all correspondence related to joining the Network is received.

If you have any questions about joining EmilyTest's Network contact  
**[Network@emilytest.org](mailto:Network@emilytest.org)**