

Extracts from the Channel Programme

Signs that a vulnerable person may be being drawn into extremism

- Changes to emotional state – withdrawal /agitated / mood swings / arrogance.
- Spending increasing time in the company of other suspected extremists
- Changing their style of dress or personal appearance to accord with the group
- Day-to-day behaviour becoming increasingly centred around an extremist ideology, group or cause – may hear different language or vocabulary being used
- Loss of interest in other friends and activities not associated with the extremist ideology, group or cause. Fixation on a subject
- Possession of material or symbols associated with an extremist cause (e.g. the swastika for far right groups)
- Attempts to recruit others to the group/cause/ ideology; or
- Communications with others that suggest identification with a group/cause/ideology.
- Racism
- Over use of internet, especially if secretive
- Change of routine

Example indicators that an individual has an **intention to cause harm**, use **violence or other illegal means** include:

- Clearly identifying another group as threatening what they stand for and blaming that group for all social or political ills
- Using insulting or derogatory names or labels for another group
- Speaking about the imminence of harm from the other group and the importance of action now
- Expressing attitudes that justify offending on behalf of the group, cause or ideology
- Condoning or supporting violence or harm towards others
- Plotting or conspiring with others.

Example indicators that an individual is **capable of causing harm or contributing directly or indirectly to an act of terrorism** include:

- Having a history of violence
- Being criminally versatile and using criminal networks to support extremist goals
- Having occupational skills that can enable acts