

# INTRODUCTION TO THE KIT

## *Read me first*




**This is your Rebuilding Investigations Kit, please complete this before you come along to the learning event.** Through this activity you will follow an investigation as it pieces together the events surrounding a serious incident. The aim of this kit is to demonstrate how two investigations of the same incident can differ, help you to consider different perspectives within an investigation and gain a richer understanding of the complexities of serious incidents and their investigations. **The characters and locations in this activity are fictional, although we have drawn upon interviews and first hand experiences of similar events to ensure its authenticity. The investigation takes place in an acute setting. If you are an investigator from a different setting then the activity is still relevant to you.**

### ***“What will I be doing?”***

The main way you'll be interacting with this activity is by drawing cards and placing them on the mat provided in this box. The mat represents the timeline of the incident and each character involved has their own timeline. As you draw cards the investigator uncovers new pieces of information and it's your job to place them where you think they belong on the timeline. As you add cards, more details of the event will be revealed.

Investigators can uncover information by having conversations, emails and phone calls with the people involved. Read the cards carefully and place them on the timeline mat in a place that makes sense to you.

 **We expect this whole activity to take about an hour.**

### ***Refreshing***

After going through the investigation once, we will rewind the clock and start the process again but this time with a new investigator. This investigator will approach things slightly differently, and may discover new information as a result.



### **You are the expert**

Where you place cards is completely up to you. If you think it makes sense, then that's all that matters. When you are finished we will invite you to send us photos of your work. We're really interested to see how different people have pieced together the events.

### ***“How will I know what to do next?”***

We wanted this activity to be as self-explanatory as possible, as we know that most of you will be playing this on your own at home. Apart from the introduction you're reading now, **all the instructions you need are written on the cards.** As you draw cards they will tell you what to do next. Some of these decks have been carefully ordered, so if they do get mixed up, don't worry, just use the numbers on the back of the cards to put them back into the correct order before you start.

Most of the cards will go on the timeline but some are designed to give you information and guide you through the activity. Once you have read these cards you can place these cards in a pile to one side.

Along the way you will be asked to record your thoughts and opinions in the **Activity Booklet**. The cards will indicate when to do this and which pages to complete.

**Turn over to see what else is in this box.**

#### **Introduction**

You are following a **Serious Incident Investigation**.

As you progress, you will find out information, which can be added to the timeline in front of you. At the end of each deck you will be invited to share your thoughts, feelings and make notes of any questions in the **Activity Booklet**.

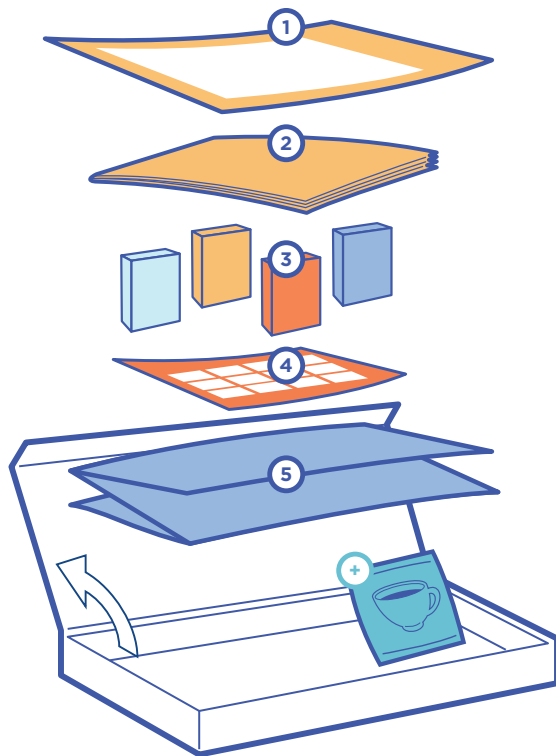
 **Draw the next card**

*example card*



# What's in the box?

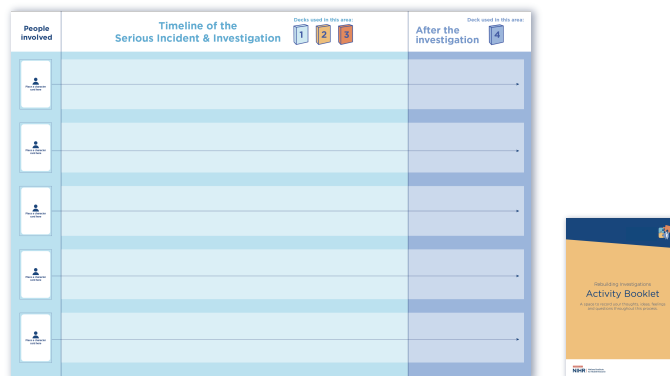
Now you have read the introduction on the other side of this sheet, you can start exploring the contents of your kit.



- 1 Double-sided instruction sheet**  
You're reading this now!
  - 2 Activity booklet**  
At various points in this activity you will be asked to record your thoughts in this book.
  - 3 4 decks of cards**  
You'll work through these numbered decks one at a time to complete the activity.
  - 4 Sticker sheet**  
To be used as part of the activity.
  - 5 Folded timeline mat**  
You will place cards onto this mat.
- + Bonus teabag (take a break whenever you need one)**

## Setting up your space

**Step 1:** Find the folded timeline mat. You will need an empty table, desk or space on the floor to lay out the mat. You might find it useful to keep the decks of cards in the box until you are prompted to use them.



**Step 2:** Keep your **Activity Booklet** to hand as you will be invited to write in it at various points through the process.



## Ready to start?

Find **Deck 1: The Datix Report** and place it face down in front of you. Draw the top card (It should have a number 1 on it)

From here on you can simply follow the instructions on the cards. They will guide you through the process. Feel free to return to this sheet if you need to be reminded of anything.