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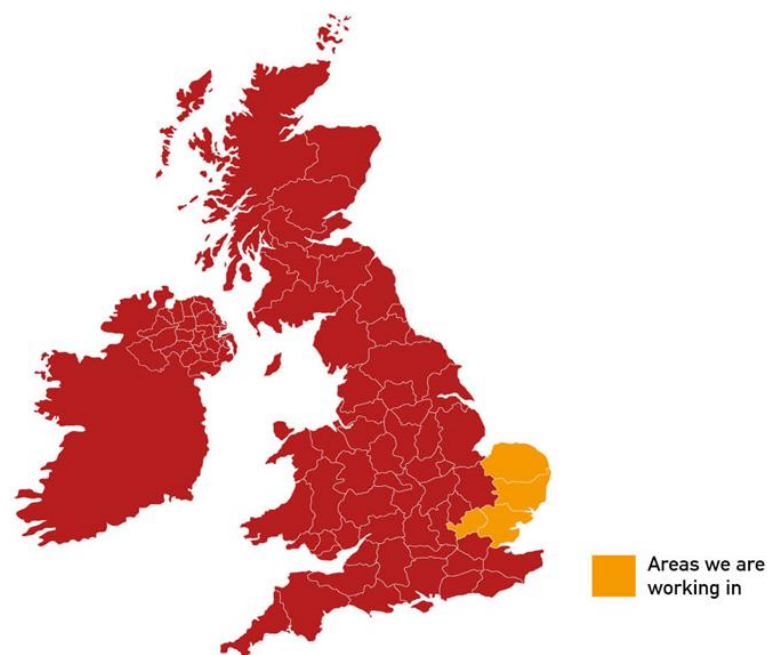
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## Pilot sites:

- Norfolk
- Suffolk
- Essex
- Thurrock
- Southend
- Hertfordshire



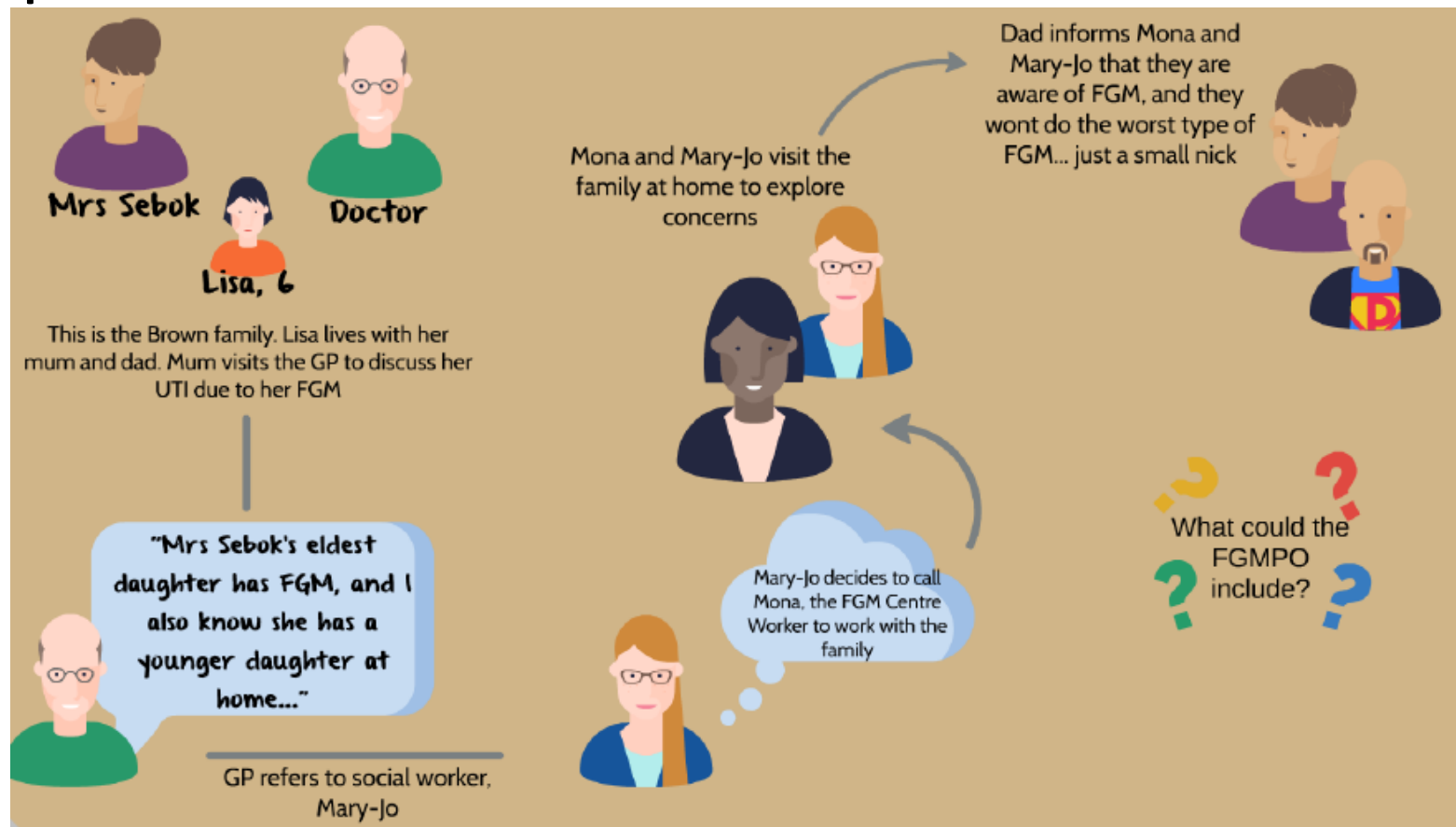
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# Implementing policy

- Social workers under mandatory duty to report; support FGM POs



# Impact of FGM PO on cases



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Increases protective factors:

- Parents
- Direct working with children

# Mandatory reporting



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## Theory vs reality

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# Challenges with policy



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Lack of awareness

- FGM
- The law/ changes in policy

Lack of professionals' confidence

# Centre's wish list



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- Statutory training on FGM, especially for professionals under the mandatory duty to report
- Improved trust & collaboration
- Sustainable funding



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