

## Project Violet Requests for Change – R49

Short title	<b>Amend safeguarding guidance and training to address unwanted touching and prayers for those with a disability</b>
Identifying number	R49
Request for action by	HR and Safeguarding Specialist Team
Text of request	<p>Co-researchers found examples of women being touched without their consent and having prayers for healing said over them without their consent. This is experienced as an invasion of their bodily autonomy and the projection of a theology of healing that may differ from that held by the woman herself.</p> <p>The request for change is: That HR and Safeguarding Specialist Team review policies to include this issue.</p>
Relevant co-researcher reports	The experiences of Deaf women Ministers
Relevant Theological Reflections	See also R44
Location on Requests Map	Vocational pathway - Phase III Ways of working - Guidance, mediation, complaints

Agreed at the Project Violet Co-researchers conference on 17 April 2024.