

# “Flags for forces”

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# Armed Forces support – out of custody pathway

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Have you or your immediate family served in the British Armed Forces?

Member of public



Any Police contact

Police



Police champion



Contacted by phone

If available Champions may attend, or otherwise assist by liaising with relevant support agencies in areas such as emergency housing.

Referral

Partner Agency



Appropriate support

Forces can access specific support in such areas as alcoholism, disability, blindness, mental health, caring demands, financial difficulties, housing issues, unemployment, drug abuse and homelessness

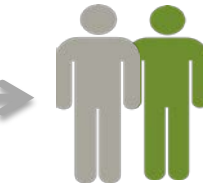
There is a database of Police Champions on the intranet where Officers and Staff can get contact details for help and assistance.

No immediate concerns  
Provide referral card

Police champion



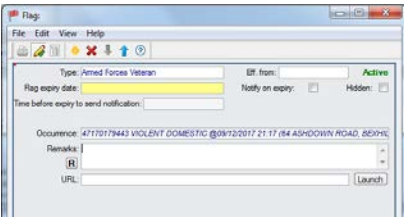
Regularly screens all flags and identifies concerns



Out of custody contact and needs assessment

Referral

**YES** – If they are creating a niche report the Officer or Staff member adds the “Armed Forces Veteran” flag to the subject on niche and sets a 1 year end date. They note under remarks any specific points about their service, or concerns that they want a Champion to be aware of





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Person arrested



Custody Sgt



CJLN



Standard in-custody referral

Direct intervention in custody, CJLN Champion notified

Referral

Partner Agency



Appropriate support

Other immediate concerns



There is a database of Police Champions on the intranet where custody staff can contact numbers for Officers who can help. If available they may attend custody, or otherwise assist by liaising with relevant support agencies in areas such as emergency housing.

No immediate concerns

Police champion



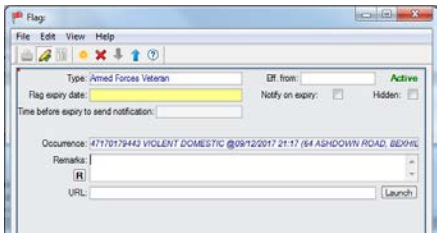
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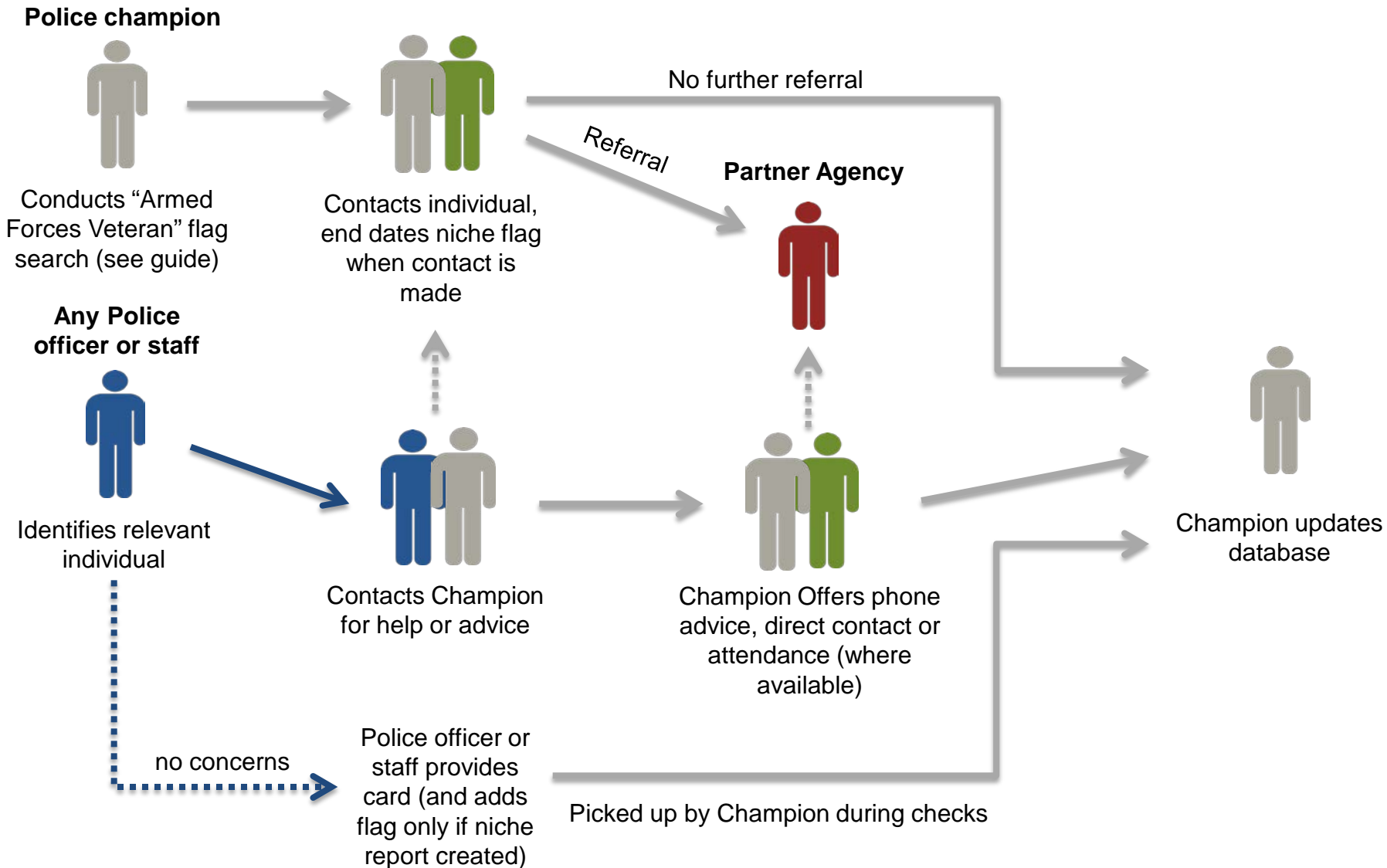
The Sgt adds the "Armed Forces Veteran" niche flag and sets a 1 year end date. They can note under remarks any specific points or concerns they want the Champion to be aware of as part of the referral





# Armed Forces support – Champions actions

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