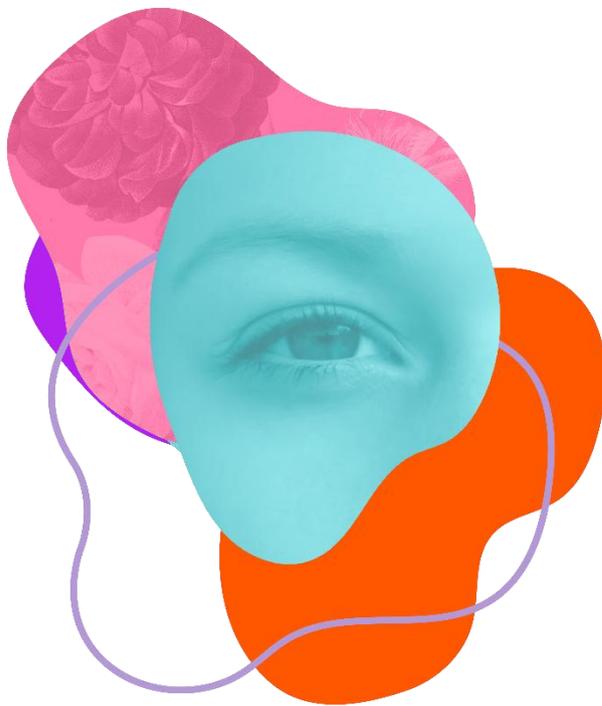


Systemic Coercive Control Wheel

Jacki Rowles (2026) Institutional Systems Abuse within Systemic Coercive Control



This wheel shows how coercive control extends beyond direct interpersonal abuse into social, institutional, and legal systems.

At the centre is coercive control as a patterned and intentional strategy.

This wheel maps how coercive control operates as a systemic pattern, not just an interpersonal one. At the centre are core tactics of coercive control used to dominate, restrict, and punish resistance. These tactics are sustained and amplified through institutional and legal systems, where perpetrators deliberately manipulate processes, professionals, and procedural

rights.

The outer ring shows how systems abuse is compounded by structural inequities such as racism, gender bias, disability discrimination, immigration barriers, and economic exclusion. Together, the wheel demonstrates how harm is produced through the interaction of personal tactics, institutional responses, and social conditions – revealing coercive control as a systemically enabled form of abuse rather than a series of isolated acts.

