



# Piecing together a Credit Report



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# **Training Agenda**



#### 1. Overview

- Background on credit reference agencies (CRAs) and reporting obligations of lenders
- How can the credit report be used in the debt advice process?
- How can the credit report add value to the debt solution lifecycle?
- How can embedding the use of credit reports assist FCA compliance?
- What is a credit report and what does it contain?
- Ordering a credit report as a consumer and obtaining customer consent to use it
- Interpreting the report at a debt advice and account management level

#### 2. TCF & Financial Crime implications

- Money laundering, identity and suitability checks
- Know your customer (KYC)
- Rehabilitation, including positive profiles on priority agreements
- Monitoring creditor reporting

#### 3. Use of Credit Report in PPI reclaims





## **Specific Workshop Objectives**



- How credit reports can be used in the DMP product lifecycle
- Customer advice about a DMP on their credit file
- Interpreting representative credit reports
- Reviewing public record information (e.g. CCJs, IVAs, DROs)
- Looking at priority creditor, current account and utility data
- Updating balances, re-projecting plans and spotting anomalies
- What happens when an account is purchased
- Looking at detriment caused by poor lender credit reporting
- Amendments to client data through the CRA
- Questions & Answer throughout session







### **DMC** Perspective



- 1. Add more value to the customer relationship:
  - Check progress of DMP from the outset of the relationship
  - Assist the customer review process
  - Demonstrate positive outcomes of your negotiations
  - Demonstrate improvement over time in creditworthiness
  - Ensure information is only retained for required retention period
  - Assist troubleshooting and complaint handling
  - Identify 'PPI potential'
- 2. A basis for keeping information up-to-date & accurate
- 3. To protect you where the customer does not meet their obligations