Human Trafficking: Seeking Help

Purpose

To discuss why human trafficking victims are hesitant to seek help.

Learning Objectives

Upon completion of this course, you will be able to:

- State why it is difficult for human trafficking victims to seek help.
- Identify human trafficking indicators.
- List questions to ask participants to determine potential victimization.

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W-2 Contact Information

Questions regarding this training material should be directed via your local agency process to the Partner Training Team,

Email: PTTTrainingSupp@wisconsin.gov

A contact person is available to answer e-mailed questions related to this training material, assist you in completing any activity that you are having difficulty with, and/or provide explanation of anything else about this training material.

Questions regarding W-2 production cases and systems should be directed via your local agency process to the BWF Work Programs Help Desk at: Email: bwfworkprogramshd@wisconsin.gov

Telephone: (608) 422-7900

W-2 Policy questions should be directed to your Regional Office staff.

DCF is an equal opportunity employer and service provider. If you have a disability and need information in an alternate format, or need it translated to another language, please contact (608) 535-3665 or the Wisconsin Relay Service (WRS) – 711.

For civil rights questions call (608) 266-5335 or the Wisconsin Relay Service (WRS) – 711.

Seeking Help

Victims may not seek immediate help as soon as they have the opportunity. This is due to a variety of reasons including, but not limited to, violence, fear, manipulation, and dependency.

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Violence	_		
Sometimes, violence is	used initially to		over victims.
This often is referred to trafficking.	as the seasoning pro	cess, and can	occur in any type of human
Eventually, the repeate	d violence		victims into
Notes:			
<u>Fear</u>			
victim seeking help car		Т	he impact it can have on a
Fear of			
 Violence agains 	t people they	and	·
• The			
•	or other I	egal action.	
Losing their			
Notes:			

Psychological Manipulation

Your body's	response is triggered by
fears.	
Individuals develop an	to the traffickers.
is a practice used means so they question their own sanity.	d to manipulate someone by psychological
Victims ultimately become	on the traffickers
Notes:	

Indicators

Many victims display indicators that they may be involved in human trafficking. It is important to be aware of these potential indicators and recognize them as you are working with participants.

Notes:



Indicator Categories

Working Conditions

Living Conditions

Mental/
Physical Health

Human Trafficking Indicators

Few or No Personal Possessions Poor Hygiene

Not Paid Directly Not Allowed Breaks

Malnourishment Frequent Bruises

Unusually Fearful/Anxious Not Free to Come/Go at Will

Questions to Ask

Are you safe?
Tell me about your living arrangement.
Tell me about the relationships with each person with whom you live.
Do you have friends or family to talk with about anything you are dealing with?
Tell me about a day in your life; tell me about your yesterday, weekday, weekend.
Tell me about things you do outside of your home
Notes:

What Would You Do?

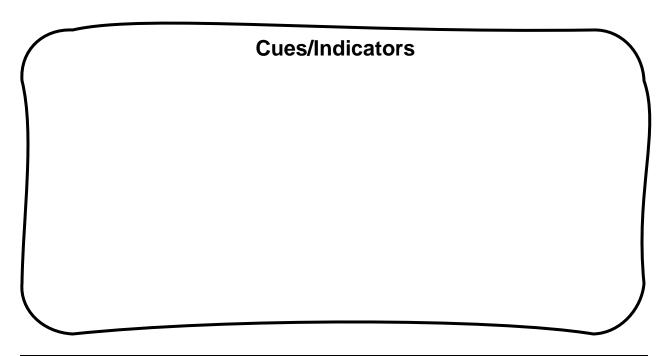


You have been working with Asia for about a month, and she is scheduled to come in today for an EP review. In preparation for your meeting, you speak with the workshop facilitator, Carl, to see how Asia is doing in Job Readiness 101. Carl states that Asia usually attends class, but doesn't participate much, and always wears low-cut shirts. He says that he spoke with Asia regarding appropriate class attire, but she still wears the same clothes.

Later in the day, Asia arrives at her appointment with her boyfriend. He doesn't come back to your desk with her, but you notice that she frequently looks over her

shoulder as you walk back together and throughout her appointment. You ask Asia how Job Readiness 101 is going. Asia says that she has a lot on her mind, so it is hard to concentrate in class. When you bring up her class attire, she states it is her style and she isn't going to change it just because it makes some people uncomfortable.

When updating Asia's EP, you suggest a work experience because it has been awhile since she last worked. She says she would like to get out of the house more, but needs to check with her boyfriend first to make sure it is okay because the hours are different than what she is completing now. When Asia signs her EP, you see several bruises on her arms.



Additional Training

There is a variety of additional trainings available throughout Wisconsin on human trafficking and how to help victims. Some of these trainings may be an Enhanced Case Management (ECM) Equivalency. If you are interested in any of these trainings counting toward ECM hours, visit https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/w2-partnertraining/ecm for more information on how to complete an ECM Equivalency request.

Damascus Road - Oshkosh

Website: www.damascusroadproject.org

Damascus Road commits to bringing awareness through education, restoring and empowering the abused, and advocating for the prevention and abolition of human trafficking. They offer training catered toward a variety of different professions and areas. Contact them for more information on trainings and presentations.

Ending the Game (Sowers Education Group)

Website: www.endingthegame.com

Ending the Game (ETG) is a survivor-created and survivor-informed curriculum that facilitates experiential learning through activities, guided reflection, and meaningful homework assignments. The ETG curriculum is designed for survivors; however, there is ETG Supporter Training that provides a broad overview of best practices for supporting sex trafficking victims.

Exploit No More - Milwaukee

Website: www.exploitnomore.org

Exploit No More's mission is to end child sex trafficking in the greater Milwaukee region. Their website lists several resources including infographics, local resources, documentaries, information on understanding trauma, printed resources, and more. There is also an option to request a speaker to talk about various topics.

UMOS

Website: https://www.umos.org/social-services/

UMOS offers training, technical assistance, outreach, and public awareness throughout Wisconsin. You can find a map of the different regions and contact for each region on their website. They offer trainings such as Human Trafficking 101, Labor Trafficking, Sex Trafficking, and more.

University of Wisconsin – Madison Continuing Studies

Website: https://continuingstudies.wisc.edu/collections/human-trafficking/

UW Madison offers a free, online course titled Human Trafficking 101: Understanding Child Sex Trafficking in Wisconsin. This course provides important information to professionals who may come in contact with children and youth who are victims of sex trafficking.

Wisconsin Department of Children and Families (DCF)

Website: https://dcf.wisconsin.gov/aht

DCF has information on their website regarding Wisconsin's anti-human trafficking efforts. DCF is focused on the trafficking of children and adolescents. The Anti-Human Trafficking Toolkit page has training available, including a documentary that is made up of a YouTube video series and an interactive Computer Based Training (CBT) catered toward the lodging industry.

5 Stones - Appleton

Website: www.5-stones.org

5 Stones is a non-profit that is vested in educating the community to increase awareness of human trafficking, decrease the demand for commercial sex, prevent victimization, and network with other organizations that fight against human trafficking. Their target audience is youth and communities in Wisconsin. You can request presentations and trainings through their website. 5 Stones also has created an educational training film called "Innocence Sold."

Resources

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