

Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children Provider & Caregiver Training

Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health Florida, a part of the Devereux Foundation founded over 100 years ago, has a proven history of providing a wide variety of treatment programs for children who have experienced emotional, physical and sexual trauma. Devereux's program model is based on advanced clinical expertise, evidence based approaches and techniques to help individuals transition from troubled lives to bright futures filled with personal accomplishments and hope. For over 25 years in Florida, Devereux has offered services for children who are victims of sexual abuse, sexual trauma and more recently sexual exploitation.

Devereux offers a full continuum of services for survivors of sexual exploitation including; intensive residential treatment, specialized therapeutic group homes, residential group care, foster care and outpatient counseling.

Devereux Advanced Behavioral Health Florida, in collaboration with the Florida Department of Children and Families, provides training statewide to foster parents, lead agencies, service providers, at risk youth, and community partners seeking to raise awareness and to build capacity to serve survivors of human trafficking, specifically commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC).

Devereux Florida currently offers the following training programs:

- 3 hour "CSEC 101" training for providers
- 3 hour "CSEC 201" training for providers
- 6 hour CSEC specific training for clinicians
- 3 – 2 hour CSEC trainings designed for teachers
- 1 hour CSEC specific training for direct care professionals
- 3 hour CSEC specific training for residential program providers
- 2 to 3 hour CSEC specific training for foster parents
- Numerous other CSEC related topics for various audiences

*All class descriptions are listed on the back.

Devereux Florida Commercial Sexual Exploitation Training & Support

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Devereux offers ongoing support via consultation twice per month led by a licensed mental health counselor with experience in working with survivors of exploitation. Consultation calls are designed to further support professionals working directly with youth and families and can be utilized to:

- Help identify victim/survivors of exploitation and services in the area that the youth or family is located
- Provide support on how to interact with survivors
- Offer suggestions on engagement in services and/or safety planning.

Direct consultation can also be provided to individual agencies at any time by direct request.

For more information on our programs, please visit www.devereuxFL.org.

What is Human Trafficking?

Human trafficking is modern-day slavery and involves the use of force, fraud, or coercion to obtain some type of labor or commercial sex act. Millions of men, women, and children are trafficked into forced labor situations and into the sex trade worldwide. Many of these victims are lured from their homes with false promises of well-paying jobs; instead, they are forced or coerced into prostitution, domestic servitude, or other types of forced labor. Victims are found in legitimate and illegitimate labor industries, including sweatshops, massage parlors, agricultural fields, restaurants, hotels, and domestic service.

Human trafficking is different from human smuggling. Trafficking is exploitation-based and does not require movement across borders or any type of transportation.

Who are the Victims? Who is at Risk?

Trafficking victims can be any age, race, gender, or nationality. Trafficking victims can be men or women, young or old, American or from abroad, with or without legal status.

Traffickers prey on victims with little or no social safety net. They look for victims who are vulnerable because of their illegal immigration status, limited English proficiency, and those who may be in vulnerable situations due to economic hardship, political instability, natural disasters, or other causes.

The indicators listed are just a few that may alert you to a potential human trafficking situation. No single indicator is necessarily proof of human trafficking. If you suspect that a person may be a victim of human trafficking, please call the Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Homeland Security Investigations (HSI) Tip-line at 1-866-347-2423. You can also report online at www.ice.gov/tips.

To reach a non-governmental organization for confidential help and information, 24 hours a day, please call the National Human Trafficking Resource Center at 1-888-3737-888.

How Do I Identify Human Trafficking?

Human trafficking is often “hidden in plain sight.” There are a number of red flags, or indicators, which can help alert you to human trafficking. Recognizing the signs is the first step in identifying victims.

Signs and Indicators of Human Trafficking

Behavior or Physical State:

- Does the victim act fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense, or nervous/paranoid?
- Does the victim defer to another person to speak for him or her?
- Does the victim show signs of physical and/or sexual abuse, physical restraint, confinement, or torture?
- Has the victim been harmed or deprived of food, water, sleep, medical care, or other life necessities?
- Does the victim have few or no personal possessions?

Social Behavior:

- Can the victim freely contact friends or family?
- Is the victim allowed to socialize or attend religious services?
- Does the victim have freedom of movement?
- Has the victim or family been threatened with harm if the victim attempts to escape?

Work Conditions and Immigration Status:

- Does the victim work excessively long and/or unusual hours?
- Is the victim a juvenile engaged in commercial sex?
- Was the victim recruited for one purpose and forced to engage in some other job?
- Is the victim's salary being garnished to pay off a smuggling fee (Paying off a smuggling fee alone is not considered trafficking)?
- Has the victim been forced to perform sexual acts?
- Has the victim been threatened with deportation or law enforcement action? Is the victim in possession of identification and travel documents, if not, who has control of the documents?

Minor Victims:

- Is the victim a juvenile engaged in commercial sex?

For more information, please visit:
www.ice.dhs.gov/humantrafficking

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