Recognizing Victims



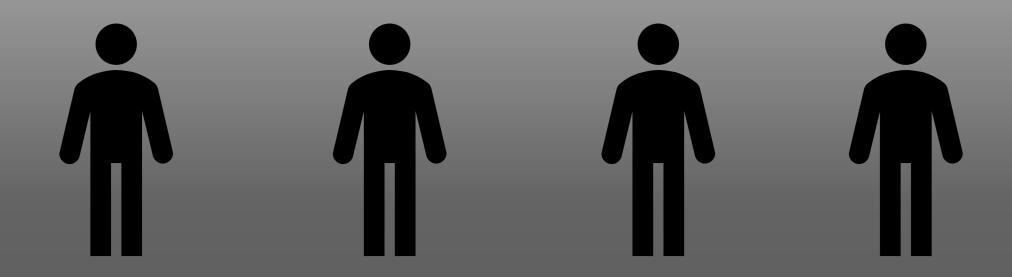
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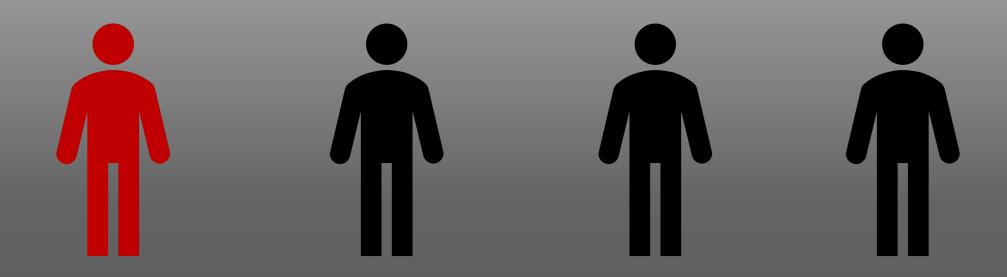
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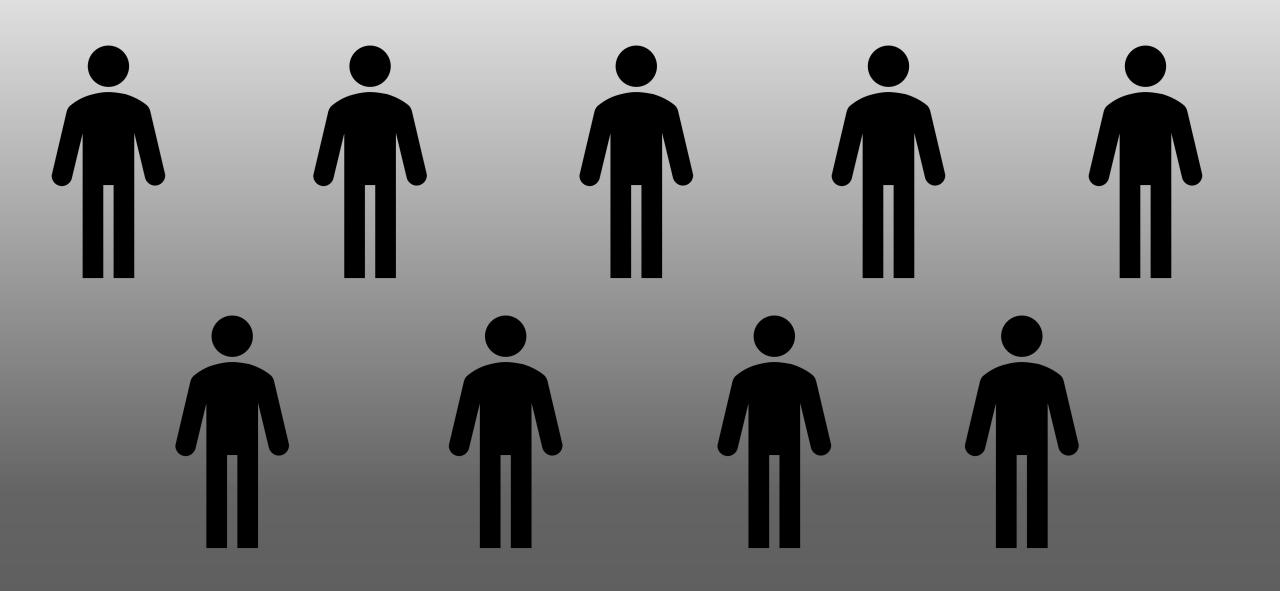
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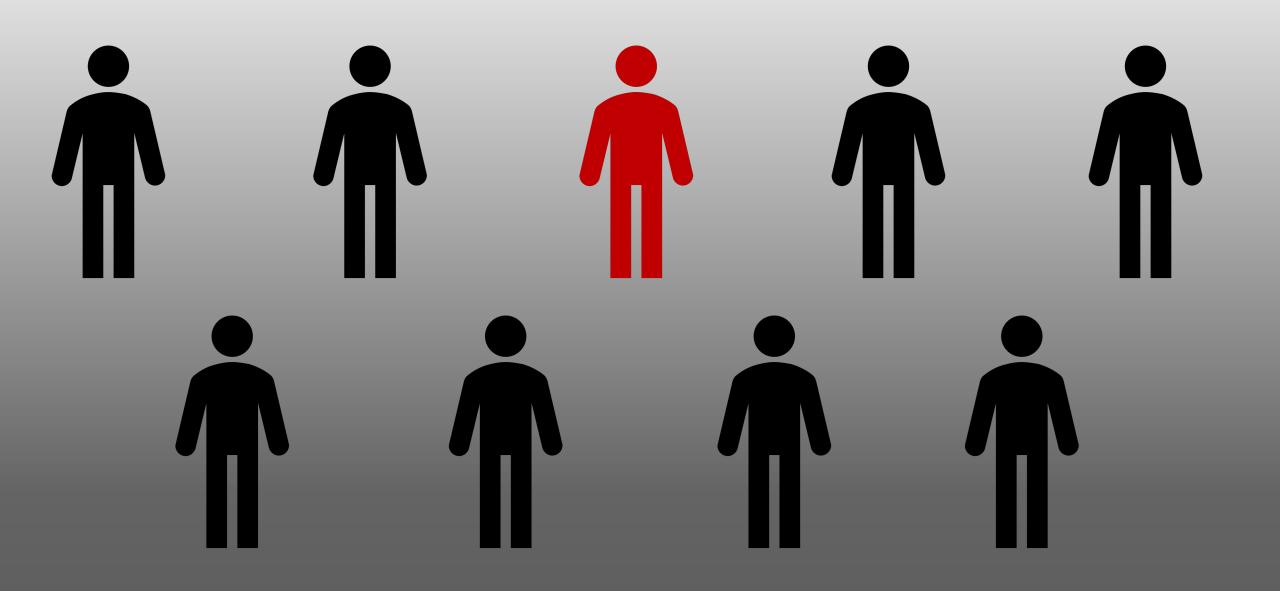
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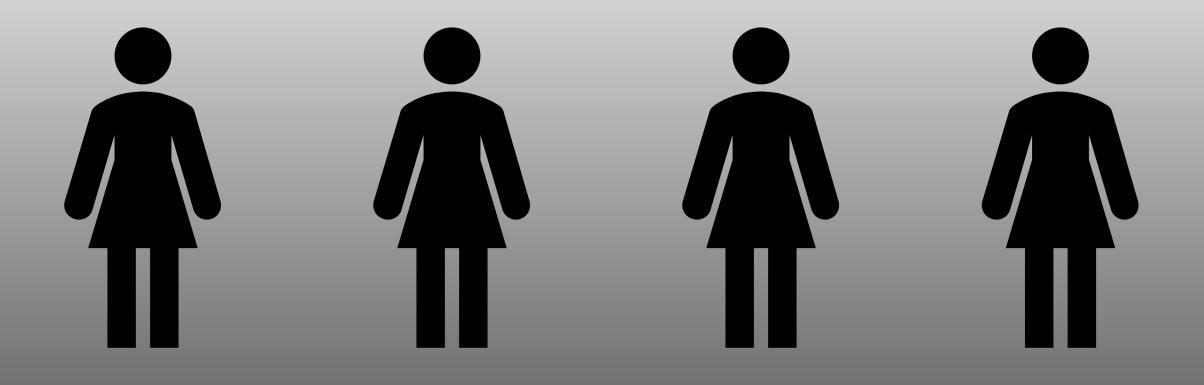
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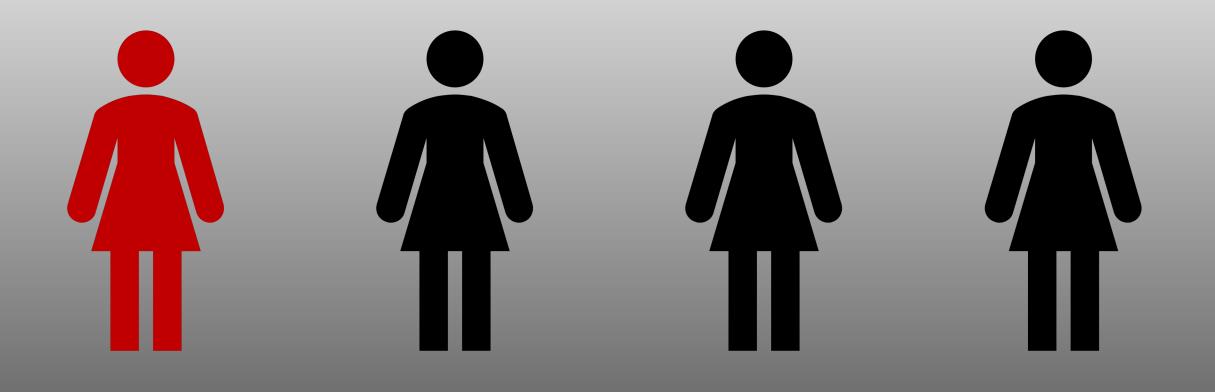
















Fastest Growing Crime

\$150 billion /year

EVERY Zip code









HOW ARE THE PROGRAMS YOU HAVE IN PLACE?

- ROBUST
- · SO-SO
- MINIMAL
- I'M NOT SURE

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO KNOW?

- VICTIM RECOGNITION TRAINING
- QUESTIONING IN A TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE WAY
- Next step when victim identified
- What to do if victim declines help
- ADDRESSING STAFF SAFETY CONCERNS
- · HOW CAN YOUR HOSPITAL/DEPT/STAFF HELP IN A BIGGER WAY

VICTIM RECOGNITION TRAINING

Signs and Symptoms



- STRANGULATION
 - HOARSE VOICE, BRUISING BEHIND EARS/ON NECK, TONGUE DISCOLORATION, PETECHIAL HEMORRHAGES, SUBCONJUNCTIVAL HEMORRHAGE, DROOLING
 - SORE THROAT, HEADACHE, DIZZINESS, TINNITUS
- TORSO/ABDOMINAL BRUISING
- INJURY TO BREASTS, GENITALIA
- PATTERNED INJURIES
- INJURIES IN MULTIPLE STAGES OF HEALING

S/SX

- ABDOMINAL/PELVIC PAIN
- SEXUAL DYSFUNCTION
- HEADACHES
- DEPRESSION AND ANXIETY
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE

At Risk Victims

- RUNAWAYS
- COMING FROM ABUSIVE HOME
- Non-English speaking
- **IMMIGRANTS**
- MENTAL ILLNESS
- SUBSTANCE ABUSE
- "REGULAR KIDS" GET SEDUCED AND GROOMED



















Red Flags

Lack of CONTROL

- CONSTANTLY SUPERVISED
- CONSTANTLY ON PHONE (FORCED TO CHECK IN)
- APPEARS YOUNGER THAN STATED
 AGE
- DOESN'T KNOW WHERE THEY ARE
- CAN'T ANSWER TYPICAL
 QUESTIONS (WHERE DID/DO YOU
 GO TO SCHOOL)

- BRANDING TATTOOS
- SCRIPTED/MEMORIZED HISTORY
 AND THEN DIFFICULTY PROVIDING
 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
- FEARFUL, LACK OF CONTROL,
 OVERLY SUBMISSIVE
- DEFIANT AND UNTRUSTING
- NOT ALLOWED TO SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES

Behavior in a medical setting

- DEFIANT AND MISTRUSTING
- DEMANDING
- · LACKING SOCIAL SKILLS
- OVERLY SUBMISSIVE
- Poor eye contact, won't answer questions
- · ASKING FOR FOOD, PAIN MEDICATIONS

Labor Trafficking signs/symptoms

- Working excessively long or unusual hours
- EXCESSIVE CALLOUSES
- UNEXPLAINED INJURIES
- Injuries that would have been preventable with proper protective equipment/situations
- Not in control of money/not being paid
- Untreated injuries
- Bruises/Injuries in multiple stages of healing
- HUNGRY/DEHYDRATED
- CONCERN FOR JAIL/DEPORTATION
- Untreated medical conditions

Sex Trafficking signs/symptoms

- CLOTHING INAPPROPRIATE FOR WEATHER
- OVERLY CHILD-LIKE OR OVER-SEXUAL
- May have hair/nails done and look well-taken care of
- RECURRENT STIS
- Multiple abortions
- PELVIC/ABDOMINAL PAIN
- Bruises/Injuries in multiple stages of Healing
- ORAL/RECTAL/GENITAL TRAUMA
- SIGNS OF STRANGULATION
- HUNGRY/DEHYDRATED
- Untreated medical conditions

ACTION PLAN

- TEACH STAFF HOW TO RECOGNIZE VICTIMS
 - RED FLAGS
 - RISK FACTORS
 - SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS
 - PREVALENCE
 - TRAINING CLASSES, VISUAL CUES (POSTING, BADGE CARDS), ONGOING REINFORCEMENT, DEBRIEF OF CASES



TRAUMA-INFORMED OUESTIONING

Domestic Violence

Questions

Q'S

- SAFE PNEUMONIC
- SAFE DO YOU FEEL SAFE IN YOUR RELATIONSHIP/HOME?
- AFRAID DO YOU EVER FEEL THREATENED, HURT, OR AFRAID?
- FRIENDS/FAMILY ARE THEY AWARE THAT YOU ARE AFRAIND OR HAVE BEEN HURT?
- EMERGENCY PLAN DO YOU HAVE A SAFE PLACE TO GO, DO YOU KNOW WHAT RESOURCES ARE AVAILABLE?



- THREATENED?
- PUNCHED, SLAPPED, SHOVED, KICKED?
- STRANGLED OR CHOKED OUT?
- THREAT OR USE OF WEAPONS?
- Not had access to your money/ID?
- BEEN PREVENTED FROM LEAVING THE HOME?
- HAD YOUR ACCESS TO OTHERS RESTRICTED?
- FORCED TO BECOME PREGNANT OR TO HAVE AN ABORTION?
- STALKED, FOLLOWED?

- NOT BEEN ALLOWED TO EAT, SLEEP, OR ACCESS MEDICATIONS/MEDICAL CARE?
- HAD YOUR PROPERTY DESTROYED/STOLEN?
- BEEN FORCED OR COERCED INTO SEXUAL ACTS?
- THREATENED WITH MURDER/SUICIDE IF YOU LEAVE?
- FORCED TO USE DRUGS OR ALCOHOL?
- BEEN SUBJECT TO HUMILIATION?
- THREATENED WITH VIOLENCE TO YOU PETS, CHILDREN, LOVED ONES?
- Undergone 'gaslighting'?

Q'S

- Questions NOT to ask
- WHY DON'T YOU JUST LEAVE?
 - High risk for violence escalation
 - MAY HAVE KIDS/PETS AND CAN'T ESCAPE
 - PARTNER MAY CONTROL ACCESS TO ID, MONEY
- What did you do to cause this?
- VICTIM-BLAMING QUESTIONS WILL DISCOURAGE ACCESSING CARE IN THE FUTURE

Human Trafficking

- ARE YOU 'IN THE LIFE'?
 - THEY MAY NOT USE THE WORD 'TRAFFICKED'. ARE YOU BEING SOLD OR FORCED TO WORK?
- Do you have access to your money and ID?
- HAVE YOU BEEN TOLD YOU HAVE TO 'PAY A DEBT'?
- DO YOU HAVE RESTRICTED ACCESS TO FOOD, WATER, SHELTER, MEDICATIONS/MEDICAL CARE, SOCIAL SUPPORT?
- Have you been coerced or forced to work or do sexual acts?
- SIMILAR TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE QUESTIONS

ACTION PLAN

- TEACH STAFF HOW TO ASK QUESTIONS AND WHAT QUESTIONS TO ASK
 - NOT COMPUTER CHECK OFF LISTS (ALONG WITH TB, FALLS, ETC)
 - SIT, MAKE EYE CONTACT, BE EMPATHETIC
 - AVOID VICTIM BLAMING

NEXT STEPS AFTER IDENTIFICATION

IF THE VICTIM WANTS HELP

- CONTACT APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES
 - FBI FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING
 - LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING VARIES
 - CONNECT TO RESOURCES (HAVE ROBUST LIST)
 - KEEP THEM SAFE UNTIL THEY CAN ACCESS RESOURCES

Domestic Violence Hotline



量 Call 1-800-799-7233 (safe)

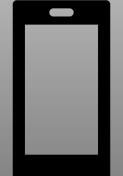


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Text BeFree (233733)



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ACTION PLAN

- KNOW YOUR LOCAL AND NATIONAL RESOURCES
 - Mandatory reporting laws (state and federal)
 - LOCAL SHELTERS AND SAFEHOUSES
 - HOTLINES AND WEBSITES
 - LEGAL HELP/OMBUDSMAN
 - CONSIDER LOOPING IN SOCIAL WORK TO COMPILE A ROBUST LIST, UPDATE ANNUALLY

IF THEY ARE NOT YET READY TO I FAVE

Domestic Violence

HIGH RISK

- PREGNANCY (PARTICULARLY UNINTENDED)
- Post-Partum
- TRYING TO LEAVE
- · HISTORY OF STRANGULATION
- GUN IN THE HOME

Human Trafficking

ACTION PLAN

- IF THE VICTIM IS NOT YET READY FOR HELP
 - Do NOT JUDGE!
 - YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT THREATS THEY MIGHT BE UNDER
 - OFFER RESOURCES
 - Invite them to return ANY time when they need care and if they want help
 - PLANT THE SEED OF HOPE



ADDRESSING STAFF SAFFTY CONCERNS

Red Flags

HELP ON A BIGGER SCALE



