

40-Hour SANE-SART Pediatrics Course

Human Trafficking and Internet Crimes

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HUMAN TRAFFICKING STATISTICS

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Globally

- 2 million children exploited by the commercial sex trade
- 1.2 million children trafficked in 2000
- 80% of transnational victims are women and girls
- 50% of transnational victims are minors
- \$32 billion industry– total annual profits generated by human trafficking
 - \$15.5 billion generated in industrialized countries

Statistics compiled by Polaris Project and available at <https://na4.salesforce.com/sfc/play/index.jsp?viewId=05H160000000Xips&v=06860000000HqhN&oid=00D3000000006E4S&d=01HGKPsPVj3q7wWmonadOJ2oKk%3D>

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Foreign Nationals Trafficked into U.S.

- 469 victims were certified as trafficking victims for public benefits purposes
- 67% of victims who received certification and eligibility letters were labor trafficking victims, 25% were sex trafficking, and 7% were both.
- All victims of sex trafficking and 89% of both types of trafficking were female.

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In the United States

- 100,000 – 300,000 prostituted children
- 244,000 American minors estimated to be at risk of child exploitation, including CSE, in 2000
- 12-14 – average age of entry into prostitution for girls
- 11-13 – average age of entry into prostitution for boys

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In the United States

- 75% of girls engaged in formal street prostitution are controlled by pimps
- 95% of all commercial sex engaged in by boys is provided to adult males

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In Kansas

Sex trafficking:

- China Rose Massage Parlors (Johnson County)
- Minor sex trafficking (Wichita and KC metro)

Labor trafficking:

- Globe Indian Restaurant (Topeka)
- Giant Labor Solutions (Kansas City)
- Ice cream trucks (Kansas City)
- Domestic worker/housekeeper (Overland Park)

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WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

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Overview

- A form of **modern-day slavery**
- A federal and state crime
- Involves a pattern of power and control used to extract labor or services, often, but not always, for financial or material gain.

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Legal Framework

- **International:** Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children (UN Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime)
- **National:** Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA) (Reauthorized in 2003, 2005, 2008, & 2013) ; Federal Strategic Action Plan
- **State:** All 50 states, including Kansas, have enacted laws criminalizing human trafficking.

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Two-Part Federal Definition

- The recruitment, harboring, transportation, providing or obtaining of a person for a commercial sex act, in which a commercial sex act is induced by force, fraud, or coercion, or in which the person induced to perform such an act has not attained 18 years of age.

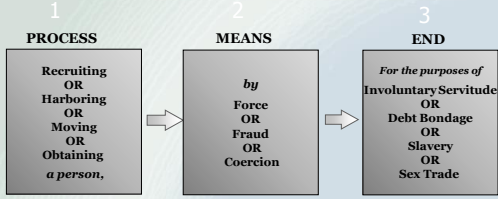
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Two-Part Federal Definition

- The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of force, fraud or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.

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Three Elements of Trafficking



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- Human trafficking is a severity level 2 person felony
- Aggravated human trafficking is a severity level 1 person felony
 - If the trafficker is 18 or older and the victim is less than 14 years old, aggravated human trafficking is an off-grid person felony

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Where does sex trafficking occur?

- Street Prostitution
- Massage Parlors
- Residential Brothels
- Escort Services
- Online Exploitation
- Hotels & Motels
- Truck Stops
- Hostess Clubs/Cantina Bars
- Exotic Dancing/Stripping
- Pornography

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Where does labor trafficking occur?

- Domestic Servitude
- Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing
- Construction
- Peddling & Begging Rings
- Sales Crews
- Factories
- Service Industry (Hotels & Restaurants)
- Small Businesses
- Hostess Clubs/Cantina Bars
- Exotic Dancing/Stripping
- Pornography

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TRUE OR FALSE?

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Trafficking victims must be foreign nationals.

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FALSE

Victims can be U.S. citizens or foreign nationals.

Trafficking requires moving someone across state lines or international borders.

FALSE

Transportation may be involved, but the legal definition of trafficking **does not** require transportation.

If a trafficked person consented before the abuse or was paid, it cannot be trafficking.

FALSE

Consent prior to an act of force, fraud, or coercion is not relevant, nor is payment. A minor in commercial sex is automatically a trafficking victim.

Elements of physical restraint or kidnapping must be present for it to be trafficking.

FALSE

The legal definition of trafficking does not require physical restraint. **Psychological control can be sufficient.**

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WHO CAN BE A TRAFFICKING VICTIM?

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Anyone.

- US Citizens or Foreign Nationals
- Males or Females
- Adults or Minors
- Any race or socioeconomic background
- Strangers
- Friends
- Family Members
- Neighbors

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TRAFFICKER CHARACTERISTICS AND TACTICS

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Traffickers can be anyone.

- Strangers
- Friends
- Partners
- Relatives
- Neighbors
- US Citizens & Foreign Nationals
- Males & Females
- Adults & Minors
- Any race
- Members of victim's own ethnic or national background
- Of diverse socioeconomic backgrounds

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CONCERNS & CONSIDERATIONS FOR POTENTIAL TRAFFICKING VICTIMS

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Shelter/Housing

- Emergency shelter
- Non-emergency shelter
- Transitional housing
- Stable long-term housing

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Medical

- Emergency and longer-term medical treatment

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Common Health Issues

- STDs/STIs, HIV/AIDS, pelvic pain, rectal trauma, urinary difficulties
- Pregnancy
- Infertility
- Infections/mutilations from improper care
- Chronic back, hearing, cardiovascular or respiratory problems
- Vision problems
- Malnourishment or serious dental problems
- Infectious diseases
- Untreated or undetected diseases and conditions
- Bruises, scars, or other sign of physical abuse
- Substance abuse or addictions

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Sex Trafficking Trauma Calculation

- Quota of 5 customers/night or \$500 - \$1000/night

 x per day x 7 days/week x 1 year
 = **1,820 forced sexual encounters per year**

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SCREENING FOR TRAFFICKING

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Barriers to victim identification

- Captivity/confinement
- Frequently accompanied, guarded
- Isolation
- Threats of violence/reprisal against loved ones
- Misinformation, false promises
- Debt bondage, sense of obligation
- Distrust of authority; learned "loyalty"
- Language, social barriers; unfamiliarity
- No personal ID, documents
- Fear
- Shame, self-blame
- Hopelessness, resignation

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Best Practices

Reassure the Potential Victim

- You are there to help. They may have been taught to distrust service providers.
- You are not there to arrest, punish, or judge them.

Be Conscientious

- Expect lies and canned stories. It may take many encounters with a service provider before the true story emerges.
- Be careful how you refer to the potential trafficker – refer to them how the potential victim has. If she says he's her "boyfriend," do not call him her "pimp."
- Avoid using derogatory terms such as prostitute, etc.
- Keep in mind that many victims do not self-identify as trafficking victims."
- Be aware of and sensitive to power dynamics
- One-on-one interactions are ideal

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Polaris Project Medical Assessment Tool*

1. Look for Red Flags & Indicators
 - Reluctant to explain situation or gives inconsistent responses
 - Not aware of current location (city/state)
 - Someone else speaks for him/her
 - Signs of physical/sexual abuse, medical neglect, untreated STIs, torture
 - Shows fear, anxiety, depression, submission, tension, nervousness, avoids eye contact
 - Under 18 and engaging in commercial sex or trading sex for something of value
 - Unusually high number of sexual partners for age

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Polaris Project Medical Assessment Tool*

2. First Response

- Attend to medical needs and treatment

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3. If possible, get patient alone to discuss questions with a social worker or medical professional

- Have you ever been forced to do work you didn't want to do?
- Have you ever been forced to have sex to pay off a debt?
- Does anyone hold your identity documents for you? Why?
- Has anyone lied to you about the type of work you would be doing?

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RESOURCES TO CONSIDER IF YOU SUSPECT TRAFFICKING

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KCSDV

- SANE/SART Project
- Immigration Project
- coalition@kcsdv.org
- 785-232-9784

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National Hotline

- National Human Trafficking Resource Center
- Operated 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by Polaris Project under grant from U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- To report suspected tips, connect with resources, or get general information and assistance

1-888-373-7888

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State & Regional Task Forces

- Kansas Attorney General's Human Trafficking Advisory Board
- Kansas Bureau of Investigations
- United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri Human Trafficking Rescue Project
 - Includes a partnership with the District of Kansas and the Eastern District of Missouri

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Local Initiatives

- Exploited & Missing Children Units
- Special Victims Units
- WSU's Center for Combating Human Trafficking
- Anti-Sexual Exploitation Roundtable for Community Action (Wichita)
- Veronica's Voice (Kansas City)

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QUIZ FOR MODULE 12

- Please enter your first and last name. The password is "hospital".
- [Pediatric Course: Module 12](#)

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For more information

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- KCSDV: www.kcsdv.org

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