



Focusing on Highly Vulnerable Populations Track

Human Trafficking in Connecticut

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HUMAN TRAFFICKING
IN CONNECTICUT
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Human Trafficking

The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision or obtaining of a person for...

ACTION

MEANS

PURPOSE

Sex Trafficking

...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.

“Commercial Sex Act” means any sex act on account of which anything of value is given to or received by any person.

Labor Trafficking

...labor or services, through the use of force, fraud or coercion for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage, or slavery.



Escort Services
Illicit Massage, Health, & Beauty
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Domestic Work
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Illicit Activities
Arts & Entertainment
Commercial Cleaning Services
Factories & Manufacturing
Remote Interactive Sexual Acts
Carnivals
Forestry & Logging
Health Care
Recreational Facilities

WHO ARE THE TRAFFICKERS?

Less Organized



More Organized

- **Individuals**
- Pimps
- Neighbors, friends, relatives, intimate partners
- Foreign diplomats and international organizations
- Labor recruiters/brokers
- **Informal Criminal Operations**
- Family or extended family
- Pimp networks
- Gangs
- **Businesses (Small or Large)**
- Small contractors/agents
- Labor recruiters
- **International Organized Crime Syndicates**

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IN A YEARS TIME...

315 DAYS PER YEAR

20 BUYERS PER NIGHT

\$1,000 PER NIGHT QUOTA=

6300 BUYERS IN LESS THAN A YEAR

EARNING \$315,000 TAX FREE DOLLARS

NONE OF WHICH SHE/ HE WILL KEEP.

Important Dynamics for an Assessment

- Keep in mind that many victims do not self-identify as “human trafficking victims” due to a lack of knowledge about the crime itself and the power and control dynamics typically involved in human trafficking situations.
- Be conscious of the fact that an individual in a trafficking situation has typically been conditioned by their trafficker not to trust law enforcement and/or service providers.
- Be aware of power dynamics when a third party is accompanying or interpreting for a potential victim. Try to speak to the potential victim alone or secure an outside interpreter.
- Be aware that canned stories are common and that the true story may not emerge until trust has been built with the potential victim after multiple meetings.
- Each client is going to tell his/her story differently and no client will present all of the elements of their trafficking situation in a neat package.
- It is imperative that the assessor remain flexible and prioritize the client’s needs and safety as the primary reason for the assessment.

General Trafficking Assessment Questions

FRAUD/FINANCIAL/COERCION

- How did you meet this person/find out about your job?
- Are you being made to do things at work you don't want to do?
- Do you owe your employer money?
- Do you feel you were ever deceived about anything related to your job/your relationship?
- Are you in possession of your legal ID?

PHYSICAL ABUSE/FORCE

- Did anyone ever force you to do something physically or sexually that you didn't feel comfortable doing?

- Was your movement outside of your residence/workplace ever monitored or controlled?
- Did you witness abuse against another person?
- Were any objects/weapons used as threats?

SEX TRAFFICKING

- Did he force you to engage in sexual acts with friends or business associates for favors/money?

Resources

National Human Trafficking Resource Center

Futures Without Violence

Trafficking in Persons Council

Love 146

International Institute of Connecticut

Alliance to End Sexual Violence

Salvation Army

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Questions?

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