INTERSECTIONALITY OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING, BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE

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TRIGGER WARNING

MAYBE TRIGGERING AND INCLUDES CONTENT ON SEXUAL ASSAULT, DRUG USE, INCEST, AND HUMAN TRAFFICKING
A non-profit organization that engages communities and their stakeholders through education to develop strategies that disrupt the cycle of human trafficking and directly serve the individuals impacted by human trafficking. Since 2015, Restoration61 has provided services to more than 4,000 individuals throughout the state of Illinois.
VICTIM & CLINICAL SERVICES

Outreach  Crisis Intervention  Case Management  Clinical Services  Victim Advocacy
WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

The buying and selling of individuals to engage in some form of labor or commercial sex act through the use of force, fraud or coercion.
HUMAN TRAFFICKING ONLY AFFECTS WOMEN & GIRLS

HUMAN TRAFFICKING ONLY INVOLVES THE TRANSPORTATION OR MOVEMENT OF PERSONS

BIG CITIES

IT'S ALWAYS A VIOLENT CRIME

ONLY INVOLVES UNDOCUMENTED FOREIGN NATIONALS

COMMON MYTHS AND MISCONCEPTIONS
WHAT DOES TRAFFICKING LOOK IN SOUTHERN ILLINOIS?

- FAMILIAL
- MASSAGE PARLORS
- SCHOOLS
- TRUCK STOPS
- STRIP CLUBS
- MIGRANT WORKERS

- FOSTER CARE
- HOTELS
- CHURCHES
- PORNOGRAPHY
- SUGAR DADDY
- ONLINE
WHO IS AT RISK?

15 is the average age of entry into human trafficking.
GROOMING PROCESS

Identifying
Gaining Trust
Filling A Need
Isolation
Crisis
Start of Abuse
Maintaining Control
WHAT TRAFFICKING LOOKS LIKE

Often identified as:
- Prostitution
- Homelessness
- Addiction
- Victim of domestic violence
- Mentally unstable
- Social disorders
- Hypersexual behaviors

Often identified as:
- Criminals
- Multiple felony charges or misdemeanors
- Unemployed/Unemployable

Presence of complex trauma:
- Trauma bonding
- Suicidal ideation
- Self harm behaviors
- Bipolar disorder
- PTSD
- Depression
- Anxiety
- Paranoia
BELIEFS ABOUT THEMSELVES

Identity
Victims of human trafficking often initially lack the ability to see themselves as capable apart from their trafficker.

Value
Victims of human trafficking often lack the ability to see their worth beyond their earning potential.

Community
Victims of human trafficking often believe they are undeserving of love and respect and therefore feel undeserving of being part of a community that would care for them.
INTERACTIONS WITH HEALTH CARE

67% OF VICTIMS WHO ARE IDENTIFIED AS VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING HAVE A BEHAVIOR HEALTH DIAGNOSIS WHEN THEY ARE IDENTIFIED.

87% OF VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING WE HAVE PROVIDED SERVICES TO EXPRESS HAVING AN UNHEALTHY RELATIONSHIP WITH ILLICIT DRUGS OR ALCOHOL.

69% OF SURVIVORS WERE ALLOWED ACCESS TO MEDICAL CARE DURING THEIR EXPLOITATION.

85% OF SURVIVORS RECEIVE MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR INJURY/ILLNESS DIRECTLY RELATED TO THEIR EXPLOITATION.
SUGGESTED SCREENING QUESTIONS:
RED FLAGS: INDICATORS THAT YOUR PATIENT MAY BE A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

[Images of various indicators related to human trafficking]
**COLLABORATION**

**WHO DOES WHAT YOU DO?**

Talk to your peers. Are they encountering similar issues with similar clients? What solutions are they using?

**GROW YOUR KNOWLEDGE**

Find experts and listen to experts on effective programs, treatments, strategies, etc.

Make sure they work with victims of human trafficking.

**LOOK INSIDE YOUR NETWORK**

Who inside your network provides a different skill set that would help your client?

**LOOK OUTSIDE YOUR NETWORK**

What services does your client need that your network does not provide? Create MOU’s/MOA’s with them.

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**Note to Therapist:** Initial Effective Therapeutic Interventions are TF-CBT, EMDR, DBT, NEURO LINGUISTIC THERAPY, A.R.T, ANIMAL THERAPY, MINDFULNESS ACTIVITIES
WHAT'S NEXT?

NOW YOU THINK YOU HAVE IDENTIFIED A VICTIM OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING, WHAT DO YOU DO?

> 18 YEARS OLD
< 18 YEARS OLD

THIS DETERMINES YOUR PATH!
GET INVOLVED

- Educate yourself on Human Trafficking
- Become a monthly supporter
- Volunteer with us
- Host an event
- Host a donation drive and prepare HOPE TOTES
STAY CONNECTED

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