


**HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

**CSEC: COMMERCIAL SEXUAL  
EXPLOITATION OF A CHILD**

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**Objectives**



1. EXPLAIN THE CHALLENGES OF TRAUMATIC BONDING
2. LIST POSSIBLE SOCIAL, EMOTIONAL AND PSYCHOLOGICAL CONSEQUENCES OF BEING TRAFFICKED
3. ARTICULATE VARIOUS APPROACHES TO SUPPORT THE VICTIM ON THEIR PATH TO SURVIVORSHIP

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**DMST**

DOMESTIC  
MINOR  
SEX  
TRAFFICKING

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**CSEC**  
**COMMERCIAL**  
**SEXUAL**  
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**THE SEXUAL EXPLOITATION BY AN ADULT WITH**  
**RESPECT TO A CHILD OR AN ADOLESCENT –**  
**FEMALE OR MALE – UNDER 18 YEARS OLD;**  
**ACCOMPANIED BY A PAYMENT IN MONEY OR IN**  
**KIND TO THE CHILD OR ADOLESCENT (MALE OR**  
**FEMALE) OR TO ONE OR MORE THIRD PARTIES.**

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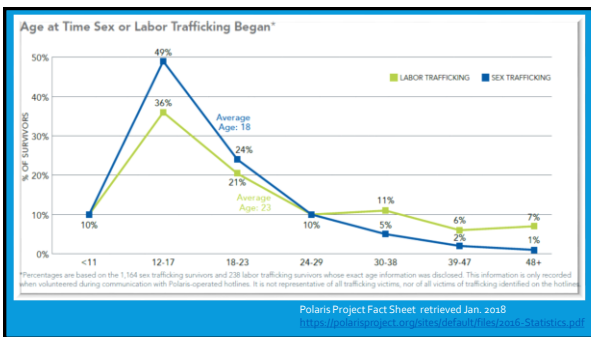
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HIGHER RISK FACTORS

- TRAUMATIC BACKGROUND  
WILSON AND WIDOM 2010, CREE 2008
- YOUTH IN FOSTER CARE




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YOUTH WHO  
RUN AWAY  
HALEY, ET AL 2004

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• **LGBT YOUTH**  
CROO, 2014; CHETTIAR ET AL 2010

1 in 4 **LGBT YOUTH ARE FORCED TO LEAVE OR RUN AWAY FROM HOME** (NATIONAL GAY AND LESBIAN TASK FORCE AS QUOTED IN RAVI, 2006)

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### TRAFFICKERS HAVE RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES...

- TARGETED
- STRATEGIC
- EXPLOITATION OF A VULNERABILITY



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### RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES...

- SOCIAL MEDIA
- SEXTORTION



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WAS THAT CSEC?



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## RECRUITMENT STRATEGIES...

- SOCIAL MEDIA    
- SEXTORTION
- FRAUDULENT JOB OFFERS
- BOY -FRIENDING OR BEFRIENDING

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CARISSA



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ESTABLISHING A CONNECTION

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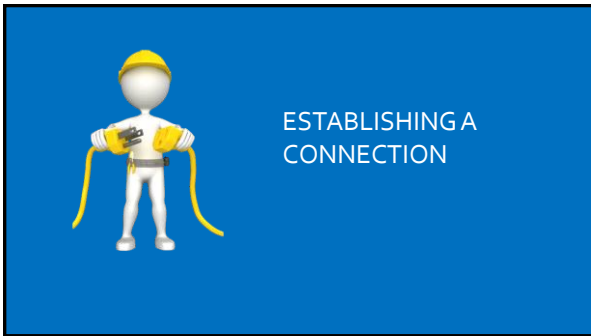
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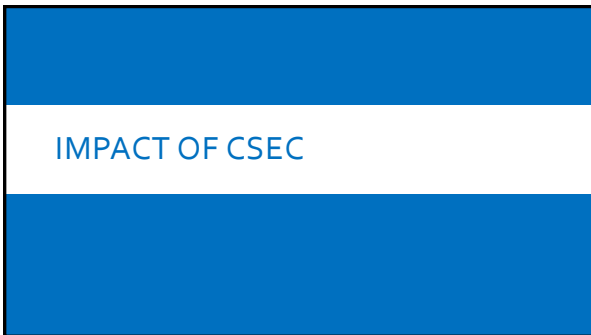
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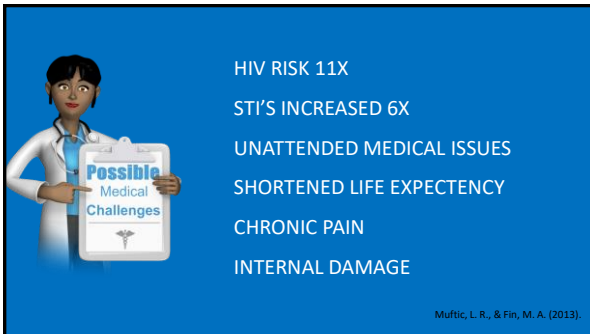
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HIV RISK 11X  
STI'S INCREASED 6X  
UNATTENDED MEDICAL ISSUES  
SHORTENED LIFE EXPECTENCY  
CHRONIC PAIN  
INTERNAL DAMAGE

Muftic, L. R., & Fin, M. A. (2013).

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INFERTILITY  
FORCED ABORTIONS  
HAIR LOSS  
DENTAL PROBLEMS  
DRUG/ALCOHOL ADDICTION

Muftic, L. R., & Fin, M. A. (2013).

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### IMPACT on MENTAL HEALTH



- PTSD & COMPLEX PTSD
- ANXIETY DISORDERS
- PANIC DISORDERS
- SUICIDAL IDEATION – 75% OF VICTIMS
- SUICIDE ATTEMPTS

Herman, Hossain and Logan articles

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### PSYCHO-SOCIAL IMPACT

- SELF HARM ( ESP CUTTING – 9X INCREASE\*)
- ATTACHMENT DISORDERS
- DISSOCIATION
- SELF PERCEPTION CHANGED
- INABILITY TO RECOUNT A COHERENT NARRATIVE

\*2017 YOUTH EXPERIENCES STUDY, ASU

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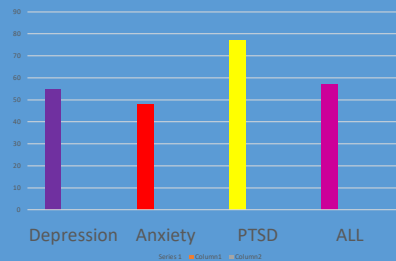
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The Relationship of Trauma to Mental Disorders among CSE Girls and Women 2010




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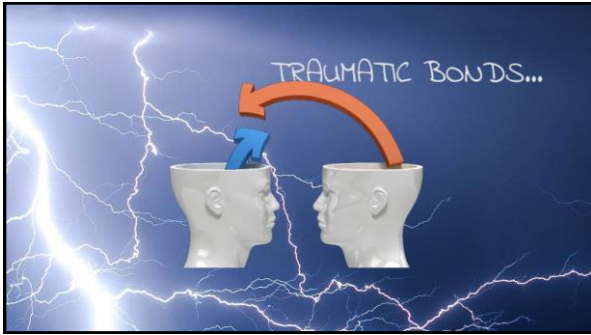
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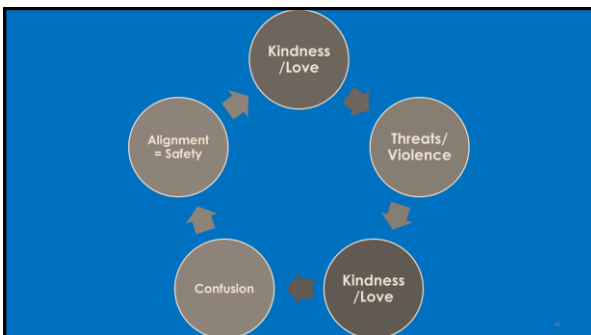
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OVERCOMING BARRIERS



Mistrust  
Shame

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OVERCOMING BARRIERS



- FEAR - INSTILLED BY BRAINWASHING AND TRAUMA
- LEGAL PROCESS

Pascual-Leon, A. 2017

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OVERCOMING BARRIERS



- THE CONFUSION OF BEING PAID FOR WHAT HARMED YOU  
Pascual-Leon, A. 2017
- LACK OF CLINICIANS KNOWLEDGE OF TX FOR COMPLEX TRAUMA

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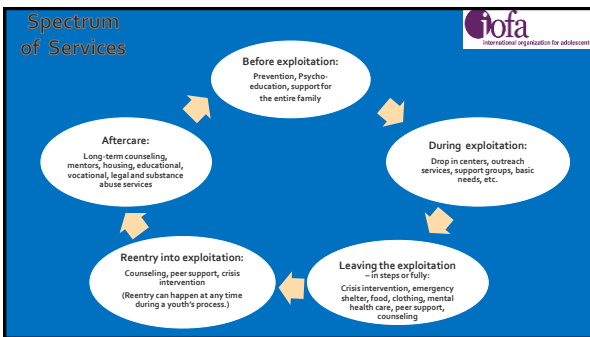
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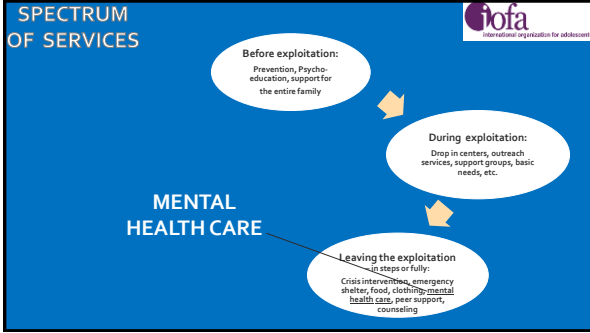
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- EXPRESSED NEEDS PRIORITIZED BY SURVIVORS**
1. STABLE HOUSING
  2. EDUCATION (GED)
  3. VOCATIONAL PROGRAMMING
  4. JOB COUNSELING AND PLACEMENT
  5. LONG TERM BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE
  6. COMPASSIONATE HEALTH CARE

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- MAKE A DIFFERENCE BY...**
- BECOME TRAUMA INFORMED & CLIENT CENTERED
  - TRAIN STAFF IN H.T.
  - IMPLEMENT ASSESSMENTS FOR CSEC
  - ESTABLISH RESPONSE PROTOCOL FOR STAFF
  - CONNECTION TO HOUSING, EDUCATION AND SERVICES (SEE ATT. GENERAL WEBSITE)

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**NATIONAL HT Hotline 888-3737-888**



**STOP HUMAN TRAFFICKING**  
*Together.*  
**844-487-0492**

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*You may choose to  
look the other way,  
but you can never  
say again that you  
did not know.*  
—William Wilberforce

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