



Thank you for your participation in October's Tribal and Trafficking webinar series presentation, Human Trafficking: A Survivor's Perspective. We have developed a Frequently Asked Questions to address your questions regarding resources and other information.

1. What is the prevalence of human trafficking in the United States?

It is important to note that statistics may vary based on identification of sex trafficking and the reporting practices of individual agencies. Globally, the International Labor Organization estimates that there are 4.5 million people trapped in forced sexual exploitation [1]. In 2013, the [National Human Trafficking Resource Center](#) hotline, operated by the Polaris Project, received reports of 3,609 sex trafficking cases inside the United States. In 2013, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children also estimated that 1 in 7 endangered runaways reported to them were likely sex trafficking victims.

2. Where can I locate programs for helping human trafficking survivors build healthy relationships?

Please visit [OVC's Directory of Crime Victim Services](#) to find a program or organization in your area that may assist human trafficking survivors.

3. Is there a checklist available for first responders and DCFS to identify potential human trafficking victims?

There are a number of resources available via the Office for Victims of Crime Training and Technical Assistance Center (OVC's TTAC) and the National Human Trafficking Resource Center to help first responders, law enforcement, service providers and the general public identify and assist potential victims of trafficking. These resources are listed below.

- [Case Management & Service Planning](#)
- [Human Trafficking Assessment for Domestic Workers](#)
- [Trafficking Victim Identification Tool](#)
- [Delivering Victims Services to Human Trafficking Survivors: Confidentiality and Privilege Issues Webinar](#)
- [Shelter and Housing Options for Human Trafficking Victims Webinar](#)

4. As an educator, what are potential indicators of human trafficking in students?

The Department of Education provides a fact sheet for educators on how human trafficking affects schools. Within this fact sheet, there are indicators of human trafficking to assist educators in identifying potential victims and determining whether further assessment is needed.

The Polaris Project and the National Human Trafficking Resource Center also provides additional resources for educators on signs of human trafficking.

- [Human Trafficking of Children in the United States- A Fact Sheet for Schools](#)
- [Victim Assessment Tool](#)
- [Educators and Human Trafficking: In-Depth Review](#)
- [Student Engagement Toolkit](#)
- [Is Your Student a Victim of Trafficking \(6 Signs for Educators\)](#)

5. Are there resources available for victim service providers who come in contact with victims of human trafficking?

OVC's TTAC provides a [Victim Service Provider Intake & Needs Assessment](#), which offers considerations for initiating an intake with a possible human trafficking victim.

6. Are there resources available for healthcare professionals who come in contact with victims of human trafficking?

The National Human Trafficking Resource Center has developed a number of resources for healthcare professionals, including a [human trafficking assessment](#). The National Institute of Medicine and National Research Council has released [a guide](#) for the healthcare sector on confronting commercial sexual exploitation and sex trafficking of minors in the United States. This document provides a comprehensive view of this issue and offers recommendations for healthcare professionals on developing models of care.

7. Are there resources available to assist organizations in developing an effective community response to human trafficking?

OVC's TTAC and the National Human Trafficking Resource Center have developed resources to assist practitioners in developing coordinated responses to combat human trafficking. These resources are listed below.

- [Forming a Task Force](#)
- [Human Trafficking in Your Community](#)
- [Blueprint: A Multidisciplinary Approach to the Domestic Sex Trafficking of Girls](#)

8. How can Prosecutors improve their relationship with reluctant victims?

Survivors suggest that prosecutors work with advocates and other victim service providers to develop victim-centered approaches to helping victims navigate the judicial system. OVC's TTAC and the National Human Trafficking Resource Center have developed the following resources on this topic:

- [Victim-Centered Investigations](#)
- [Victim Law](#)
- [Victims of Human Trafficking: Intersections with the Court System](#)

9. How do I request child sex trafficking training?

Visit <http://www.amber-net.org/technicalassistance.html#ChildSex>.

Additional Resources

- [Child Sex Trafficking Toolkit for Law Enforcement](#)
- [The Crime of Human Trafficking: A Law Enforcement Guide to Identification and Investigation](#)
- [Social Services Indicator Card \(to help identify possible child victims of sex trafficking and commercial sexual exploitation\)](#)
- [Human Trafficking: A Guide to Detecting, Investigating, and Punishing Modern-Day Slavery](#)
- [Human Trafficking Law Enforcement Training Manual](#)
- [Risk Factors and Other Indicators of Technology Facilitated Child Sex Trafficking Webinar](#)

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Notes:

[1]. "Child Sex Trafficking in the United States." Polaris Project. Web. <http://www.polarisproject.org/>.