



Tool used when a suspected Human Trafficking victim is Identified

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Patient answers 'Yes' to any trafficking questions-provide medical services
<p>If possible:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move patient alone to a private room • Utilize interpreter (if applicable) • Provide and assess safety level (<i>Victims are trained not to trust anybody, especially health care and law enforcement</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Are they in Immediate danger? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Ask if they feel comfortable turning off their phone to reduce the risk of being monitored/tracked. Provide information on how cell phones can be used to track and monitor your location and communication and identify safety strategies (turning off the phone, doing a factory reset, using a safer device, turn off location sharing, etc.)</i> ▪ <i>Assess if they have a cell phone. Aluminum foil can be wrapped around the cell phone to block GPS tracking as the phone may be used to stalk or track their care.</i> ○ How can you help them feel safe? ○ Is their family in any danger?
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain open and nonjudgmental communication. Establish safety words. (i.e.: I am not the police; my main concern is your safety) • Only ask questions needed to initiate intervention (avoid re-traumatizing)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize Framing Statement for questions and conversations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ "In order to better understand what resources, we might be able to provide you with, it is helpful for us to better understand the stresses you have in your life. I am here to assist you in improving your health and well-being. " ○ "I have seen patients through my work who have been intimidated, threatened or tricked by people they know in both romantic and professional relationships. Has anything like that happened to you?" ○ Some illnesses can be a result of stress in our lives. Is there anything going on currently or in the past that you feel might have affected your health negatively?" ○ Has there ever been a time when you have been hit, tricked or threatened by anyone to make you do something you didn't want to do?
<p>Determine your patient's primary need. Call appropriate agency below for referral if patient consents.</p>
<p>Remember that mandatory reporting does apply: DCFS: If your patient is less than 18 years old Department of Aging: If your patient is 60 years or older or between the ages of 18-59, has a disability, and unable to report</p>
<p>Essentials for your survivor:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food • Shelter/Housing: Domestic Violence Shelter (local phone #) • Advocacy (local phone #) • Human Trafficking Hotline (888) 373-7888 • Law Enforcement (local phone #) • FBI (312) 421-6700 (press #2)

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- SANE (local phone #)
- Has a safety plan
- Address any legal concerns
- Provide Immigration Resources

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