INDICATORS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Does the student…
• Suddenly have more material possessions?
• Defer to another person to speak for them?
• Suddenly become extremely quiet, reclusive, and avoid eye contact?
• Appear to be deprived of food, water, sleep, medical care, or other necessities?
• Have bruises or other signs of physical trauma?
• Have a romantic partner who is noticeably older?
• Engage in unhealthy coping behaviors (i.e. increase in use of drugs or alcohol, etc.)?
• Seem restricted from contacting family or friends?
• Not seem to be in control of their own money?
• Lack control over a personal schedule and/or identification or travel documents?
VICTIM-CENTERED APPROACH

Make victims feel safe and develop trust and rapport by:

• Explaining who you are, answer their questions, and address their fears and urgent needs.
• Being sensitive to cultural differences and language barriers and use an interpreter when needed.
• Conducting interviews in a neutral location, after urgent needs have been assessed.
• Being patient and give the victim time to stabilize and recover.
• Engaging a victim specialist who can connect victims to support services.

REPORTING AND ADDITIONAL SUPPORT


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