HUMAN TRAFFICKING: WORKING WITH UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS

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INTRODUCTIONS

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WHO IS "UNDERSERVED?"

- AFRICAN AMERICAN
- AMERICAN INDIAN/ALASKA NATIVE
- LATINX
- IMMIGRANTS AND REFUGEES
- LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT (LEP)
- "MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED"
- HOMELESS

- INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES
- LGBTQI+
- MEDICAID ELIGIBLE/ENROLLED
- LOW WEALTH/INSECURE
- RURAL
- MALE HT VICTIMS
- AGING ADULTS
- OTHER VULNERABLE
 POPULATIONS?

WHO IS AT RISK FOR BEING TRAFFICKED?

- IMMIGRANTS (DOCUMENTED AND UNDOCUMENTED)
- SUBSTANCE USERS
- PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES
- FOSTER CARE YOUTH
- UNSUPERVISED MINORS W/INTERNET ACCESS
- RUNAWAY OR HOMELESS YOUTH
- MENTALLY ILL
- HOMELESS; UNSTABLE HOUSING
- LGBTQI+
- ABUSE SURVIVORS
- LOW WEALTH/ECONOMICALLY INSECURE
- GANG AFFILIATED (ADULT AND MINOR)
- ANY UNDERSERVED/MINORITY POPULATION



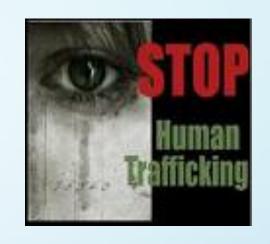
INTERSECTIONALITY AND TRAFFICKING

- SOCIOLOGICAL TERM
- OVERLAP OF SOCIAL IDENTITIES
- DESCRIBES LAYERED SOCIAL OPPRESSIONS AND DISCRIMINATIONS
- APPLIES TO INDIVIDUAL AND THAT PERSON'S LIFE EXPERIENCES.
- MERRIAM WEBSTER: "THE COMPLEX, CUMULATIVE WAY IN WHICH THE EFFECTS OF MULTIPLE FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION (SUCH AS RACISM, SEXISM AND CLASSISM) COMBINE, OVERLAP OR INTERSECT ESPECIALLY IN THE EXPERIENCES OF MARGINALIZED INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS."

WHAT IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING?

- MODERN DAY SLAVERY
- WITH INVISIBLE CHAINS OF PSYCHOLOGICAL COERCION
- SLAVERY OR SERVITUDE IN ANY INDUSTRY
- "LABOR TRAFFICKING" AND "SEX TRAFFICKING"

HUMAN TRAFFICKING



The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision or obtaining of a child for labor or services through the use of force, fraud, or coercion. Under federal and State law, sex trafficking (such as prostitution, pornography, exotic dancing, etc.) does not require there be force, fraud, or coercion if the victim is under 18.

The Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000 (TVPA) **defines labor trafficking** as:

"The recruitment, harboring, transportation, provision, or obtaining of a person for labor or services, through the use of **force**, **fraud or coercion** for the purpose of subjection to involuntary servitude, peonage, debt bondage or slavery."

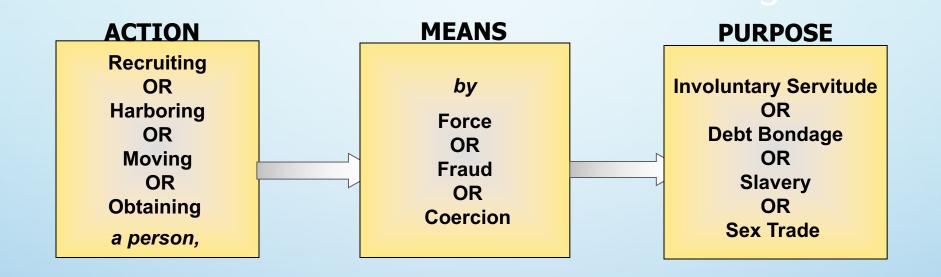




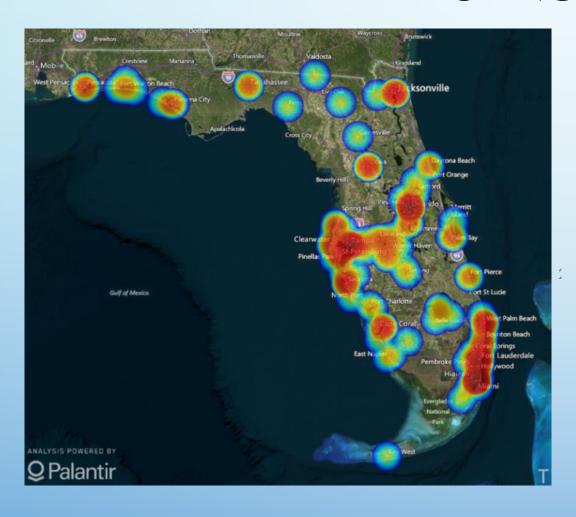


LABOR TRAFFICKING

THREE ELEMENTS OF TRAFFICKING

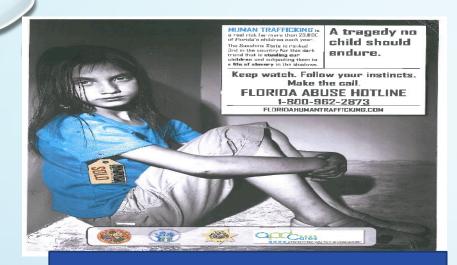


TRAFFICKING IN FLORIDA



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- 4,203 IDENTIFIED CASES (2007+)
- 767 CASES IN 2018
 - 524 SEX TRAFFICKING
 - 127 LABOR TRAFFICKING
 - 58 SEX AND LABOR TRAFFICKING
 - 58 NOT SPECIFIED



Total Reports Received by the Hotline

2009 = 43 reports

2010 = 202 reports

2011 = 427 reports

2012 = 657 reports

2013 = 806 reports

2014 = 868 reports

2015 = 1,225 reports

2016= 1,890 reports

2017= 2,247 reports

2018= 2,133 report

2019 = 2,198 reports

May 2009,
DCF added
Human Trafficking
to their
Maltreatment Index

2009 = 43 reports

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2012 = 657 reports

2013 = 806 reports

2014 = 868 reports

2015 = 1190 reports

2016 = 1495 reports

2017 = 1701 reports

2018 = 1616 reports

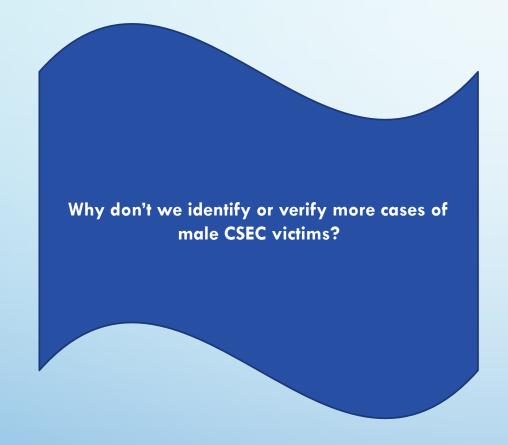
2019 = 1685 reports

^{*}Unique IDs only

Suspected Human Trafficking Reports into Hotline Jan.-June 2019 Polaris Project 20-39 11-19 Not Reported or Specified *Please note that cases are not mutually exclusive since every case may include multiple locations of human trafficking, including multiple locations within the same state.



MALE VICTIMIZATION IN CSEC



REFERRED TO AS "RENT BOYS,"
 "HOUSE BOYS" OR "CHICKENS"

 AGES: 11 – 14 = EXPLOITED BY THIRD PARTY

 AGES: 15 – 19 = TYPICALLY INDEPENDENTS

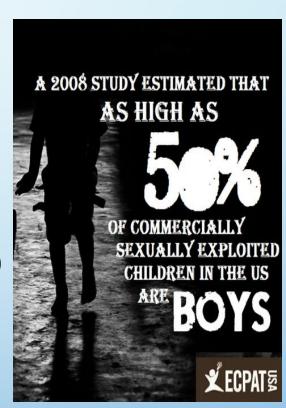
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RESEARCH ON THE COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF BOYS

- MALE CSEC VICTIMIZATION IS VASTLY UNDERREPORTED
 - RESEARCH ESTIMATES THAT AS MANY AS 50% OF CSEC IN THE US ARE BOYS
- THERE IS A SHORTAGE OF SERVICES FOR MALES
- YOUTH THAT IDENTIFY AS GAY AND/OR TRANSGENDER ARE DISPROPORTIONALITY REPRESENTED AMONG MALE CSEC
 VICTIMS, BUT NOT THE MAJORITY OF MALE VICTIMS
- OFTEN SOLD IN MALE-SPECIFIC VENUES (E.G. RENTBOY.COM)
- YOUNG MEN AND BOYS MAY BE LESS LIKELY TO HAVE A THIRD-PARTY TRAFFICKER AND MAY BE ENGAGING IN TRANSACTIONAL SEX TO MEET BASIC NEEDS.
 - > LARGELY RECRUITED BY PEERS
 - AN UNDER-IDENTIFIED FORM OF TRAFFICKING. THE BUYERS IN THESE CASES ARE THE EXPLOITERS



HUMAN TRAFFICKING IS FRAMED IN MANY WAYS:

- PUBLIC HEALTH
- IMMIGRATION
- ECONOMIC INSECURITY/EXPLOITATION
- FAMILY/CHILD ABUSE
- SEXUAL EXPLOITATION
- CRIMINAL JUSTICE
- SUBSTANCE USE/OPIOIDS
- CIVIL JUSTICE

ROOT CAUSES OF TRAFFICKING

- COMPLEX
- "PUSH" FACTORS: POVERTY, ECONOMIC COLLAPSE/INSTABILITY, GENDER VIOLENCE, DISASTERS, MANY FORMS
 OF VIOLENCE, PERSECUTION
- "PULL" FACTORS: WORK, FAMILY UNIFICATION, EDUCATION FOR SELF/CHILD, SAFETY, ECONOMIC STABILITY
- GENDER OPPRESSION AT ROOT OF SEX TRAFFICKING
- DEMAND FOR CHEAP LABOR AT ROOT OF LABOR TRAFFICKING.
- DEMAND FOR SEX TRAFFICKING ROOTED FROM PORNOGRAPHY ADDICTION

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TRAFFICKING VS. SMUGGLING

Trafficking	Smuggling
Crime against a person	Crime to against the US border
Involuntary	Voluntary
Exploitation-based	Transportation-based
Border crossing not required	International border crossing
Commodity is the PERSON	Commodity is TRANSPORTATION

DOMESTIC/DATING VIOLENCE AND TRAFFICKING

- FAMILY MEMBERS TRAFFIC OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS (WITHIN DEFINITION OF DV)
- USE SAME TACTICS OF CONTROL
- CAN CHARGE/PROSECUTE HT CRIMES + DV CRIMES
- EXAMPLES:
 - ABUSER FORCES WIFE AND CHILD TO PANHANDLE
 - ABUSER FORCES INTIMATE PARTNER TO HAVE SEX FOR MONEY
 - ABUSER IS A PIMP/TRAFFICKER, RESIDING WITH MANY VICTIMS "AS IF A FAMILY"
 - TRAFFICKER HAS "CHILD IN COMMON" WITH TRAFFICKING SURVIVOR
 - TRAFFICKING SITUATION FITS DEFINITION OF "DATING VIOLENCE"

SEXUAL ASSAULT INDICATORS IN LABOR TRAFFICKING

- ABUSED AT WORK, THREATENED HARM BY SUPERVISOR
- SEXUALLY HARASSED AT WORK; SEX IS PART OF JOB "REQUIREMENT"
- COULD BE TRAFFICKED FOR BOTH WORK (INCLUDING CRIMINAL ACTS) AND SEX
- SEXUAL ASSAULT USED AS THREAT FOR COMPLIANCE
- SEX OFFERED/COERCED AS WAY TO PAY OFF LABOR TRAFFICKING DEBT
- FOOD, WATER, SHELTER USED IN EXCHANGE FOR SEX

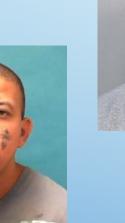
WHO ARE THE TRAFFICKERS?

- ORGANIZED CRIMINAL SYNDICATES
- FAMILIES (MOM & POP OPERATIONS)
- LABOR SUBCONTRACTORS
- PIMPS
- DIPLOMATS
- BUSINESS PEOPLE/PROFESSIONALS
- NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS, RELATIVES OF THE VICTIM

Traffickers are known to engage in constant recruitment to attempt to entice children into their web of control.

Three common stages of recruitment:

- 1) lure
- 2) trust
 - 3) payback stage











VICTIM'S PERSPECTIVE

- MAY NOT DISCLOSE
 - > FEAR, SHAME, DISTRUST AUTHORITY
 - > LANGUAGE BARRIER
 - > BRIEF INTERACTION TIME WITH PROVIDER
- MAY NOT BE READY MAY NOT SELF IDENTIFY
- MAY NOT WANT TO BE "RESCUED" ("SAVED")
 - FEAR, THREATS, RETALIATION
 - > DOESN'T IDENTIFY AS A VICTIM
 - > TRAUMA BONDING
- USE TRAUMA-INFORMED CARE



TRAUMA AND OPPRESSION

- SURVIVORS' LIVES INCLUDE OPPRESSION, CONFLICT, VIOLENCE
- INTERGENERATIONAL TRAUMA FROM:
 - COLONIZATION
 - MISOGYNY
 - RACISM
 - HOMOPHOBIA
 - HISTORICAL OPPRESSION
 - INTERSECTIONALITY PRESENT IN VARIED INTERPERSONAL AND SOCIOCULTURAL VIOLENCE

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SEX TRAFFICKING INDICATORS

- BRANDING
 - > TATTOOS, RFID TAGS
- UNUSUALLY HIGH NUMBER OF SEXUAL PARTNERS
- SEASONALLY OR SITUATIONALLY INAPPROPRIATE CLOTHING
- ROUGH LANGUAGE OR TERMS COMMON TO THE SEX INDUSTRY
- UNDER 18 AND INVOLVED IN COMMERCIAL SEX INDUSTRY
- MULTIPLE STDS, STIS, ABORTIONS
- SEXUALLY EXPLICIT CONTENT ON SOCIAL MEDIA APPS







LABOR TRAFFICKING INDICATORS

- NOT PROVIDED WITH ADEQUATE PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT FOR HAZARDOUS WORK
- REQUIRED TO LIVE IN HOUSING PROVIDED BY EMPLOYER
- OWES A DEBT TO EMPLOYER OR RECRUITER
- WAS RECRUITED FOR DIFFERENT WORK THAT CURRENTLY PERFORMING
- INADEQUATE BREAKS DURING WORK
- LIMITED FOOD AND WATER
- ABUSED AT WORK, THREATENED HARM BY SUPERVISOR
- MINORS: TRAVELING SALES CREWS

CASE STUDIES - DISCUSSION AND PARTICIPATION

WHAT ARE THE CHALLENGES FACING CARLA, MARY AND JASON?

HOW IS INTERSECTIONALITY RELEVANT?

 WHAT SUPPORT COULD YOU PROVIDE AND FIND TO ASSIST THE TRAFFICKED PERSON? (AGENCIES, STRATEGIES, COMMUNITY GROUPS?)

CASE STUDY #1, CARLA

 CARLA, 40, CAME TO THE US FROM GUATEMALA TO WORK AS A NANNY AND HOUSEKEEPER FOR A WEALTHY COUPLE AND THEIR 3 CHILDREN (2-YEAR-OLD TWIN GIRLS AND A TEENAGE BOY) FROM HER COUNTRY. SHE GREW ATTACHED TO THE CHILDREN. AFTER ONE YEAR, SHE SECRETLY SENT A LETTER TO HER 20 YEAR-OLD SON, PAOLO, BACK IN GUATEMALA SAYING THAT SHE COULD NOT SEND MORE MONEY HOME BECAUSE THE COUPLE LIED AND NOW ARE MAKING HER PAY FOR FOOD AND HER ROOM AND THE MONEY SHE OWED THEM FOR TRANSPORTATION TO THE US MAKES HER DEBT GROW. SHE ALSO TOLD HER SON THAT SHE HAD NO DAYS OFF, EXCEPT SOMETIMES SUNDAYS TO GO TO CHURCH. SHE SAID IF SHE COMPLAINED, OR LEFT THEM, PAOLO COULD BE IN DANGER. SHE DID NOT TELL HIM SHE WAS VERY ASHAMED BECAUSE THE HUSBAND RAPED HER AND OFTEN GRABS HER SEXUALLY, ON HER BREASTS AND BETWEEN HER LEGS. SHE WANTS TO LEAVE BUT LOVES THE TWO LITTLE ONES AND TAKES GOOD CARE OF THEM. SHE WORKS VERY HARD AND BELIEVES IF SHE KEEPS WORKING HARD, THEY WILL PAY HER MORE SO SHE CAN PAY OFF HER DEBT FASTER AND SEND MORE MONEY HOME. SHE IS DEPRESSED.

CASE STUDY #2 - MARY

 MARY IS AFRICAN AMERICAN, 28, GREW UP IN RURAL NORTH FLORIDA, AND NOW LIVES AT THE LOCAL HOMELESS SHELTER. SHE RAN AWAY FROM HOME AT 17 BECAUSE SHE HAD BEEN SEXUALLY ABUSED BY HER STEPFATHER AND OTHER MEN SINCE SHE WAS 10. SHE HAS DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND NEVER GRADUATED FROM HIGH SCHOOL. OVER THE YEARS, SHE LIVED ON THE STREETS, OFTEN HAVING SEX WITH MEN TO SUPPORT HER DRUG HABIT OR FOR FOOD AND A PLACE TO CRASH. LAST YEAR, A MAN AT HER NA MEETING APPROACHED HER AND OFFERED TO GIVE HER A RIDE. SHE LIKED THE WAY HE TREATED HER, BUT AFTER A MONTH, HE ASKED TO TAKE PHOTOS OF HER, USUALLY PERFORMING SEX ACTS. HE THREATENED TO SHARE THE PHOTOS IF SHE REPORTED THAT HE RAPED HER AND TOLD HER HE'D KILL HER AND HER SISTER IF SHE DIDN'T DO WHAT SHE SAID, WHICH WAS TO HAVE SEX WITH MANY MEN. SHE ESCAPED AFTER 8 MONTHS AND NOW IS AT THE HOMELESS SHELTER. SHE CAN'T SLEEP AND IS ANXIOUS, DEPRESSED, EXTREMELY COMPLIANT WITH THE CASE MANAGERS, ALWAYS PROMISING SHE WILL DO THINGS (LIKE WORK ON HER GED), BUT DOES NOT FOLLOW THROUGH.

CASE STUDY #3 - JASON

• JASON, 18, IS CAUCASIAN AND HAS A LEARNING DISABILITY. BULLIED BY KIDS AT SCHOOL FOR MOST OF HIS ADOLESCENCE, HIS PARENTS KICKED HIM OUT OF THE HOUSE AT 16 WHEN HE TOLD THEM THAT HE WAS GAY. WHEN STANLEY, A FORMER YOUTH LEADER AT HIS OLD MIDDLE SCHOOL, OFFERED TO TAKE HIM IN, HE WAS GRATEFUL. SO, WHEN STANLEY ASKED, JASON DIDN'T SEE ANY PROBLEM WITH "CAMMING" (TAKING SEXUALLY EXPLICIT PHOTOGRAPHS) FOR HIM – THEY WERE ABLE TO MAKE SOME MONEY AND HE COULD SUPPORT HIMSELF. JASON LATER WENT TO A DUPLEX TO LIVE WHERE THERE WERE 4 OTHER MALE YOUTHS AND WHERE STANLEY RAN A FULL FLEDGED OPERATION WHERE THEY WERE ALL SEXUALLY EXPLOITED TO ENGAGE IN EXPLICIT TEXT-BASED CHATS AND PHONE SEX. JASON DIDN'T LIKE THE WORK, BUT HE LIKED HIS NEW "FAMILY" AND DIDN'T HAVE ANY OTHER PLACE TO LIVE. STANLEY ALSO GIVES THEM DRUGS AND ALCOHOL – AND JASON IS GLAD AS THEY "TAKE THE EDGE OFF."

HT SURVIVOR NEEDS

- HOUSING
- LEGAL ASSISTANCE
- SUBSTANCE USE
- HEALTHCARE (INCLUDING DENTAL)
- COUNSELING (TRAUMA)
- SAFETY PLANNING
- MOTIVATIONAL SUPPORT
- EDUCATION
- JOB TRAINING

- FAITH COMMUNITY SUPPORT
- SAFETY PLANNING/PROTECTION
- BENEFITS ADVOCACY
- IMMIGRATION SUPPORT
- FAMILY SUPPORT
- CRISIS INTERVENTION
- PREGNANCY/NEWBORN CARE
- OTHER?

GOAL = TRUST, NOT DISCLOSURE

- ASSURE CLIENT YOU ARE A RESOURCE.
- OFFER INFO TO CLIENT, REGARDLESS
- MAKE SURE CLIENT KNOWS THEY ARE NOT ALONE, THAT HELP IS AVAILABLE
- YOU ARE NOT THE SOLE SERVICE PROVIDER FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING; YOU ARE A LINK TO MANY SERVICES

Responses and Resources What do you do if you suspect trafficking?

Florida DCF Abuse Hotline
1-800-96-ABUSE (minors) 888-3737-888



National Human Trafficking Resource Center 1-888-373-7888 (adults)



If it is an immediate situation call law enforcement!





WHO TO CALL?

NEXT STEPS:

- LEARN ABOUT YOUR COMMUNITY
- UNDERSTAND "UNDERSERVED" POPULATIONS AND NEEDS
- SHARE INFO WITH STAFF AND PARTNERS.
- INCORPORATE HUMAN TRAFFICKING INTO AGENCY/ORG TRAINING
- KEEP KEY PHONE NUMBERS HANDY
- KNOW THE SIGNS OF HT
- JOIN LOCAL COALITION/TASK FORCES
- CROSS TRAIN WITH LOCAL ANTI-TRAFFICKING ORGANIZATIONS

INCLUDE HT IN YOUR AGENCY/ORG PROTOCOLS

 HOW DO CURRENT PROCEDURES AND POLICIES WORK FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING CASES?

- WHAT DO YOU NEED?
 - STAC CAN HELP (BIG BEND)
 - SEE YOUR LOCAL AREA CIRCUIT HT TASK FORCE FOR LOCAL PROVIDER LIST

RESOURCES

- 911 IF IN DANGER FOLLOW AGENCY PROTOCOLS
- ADULT HT SCREENING TOOL AND GUIDE JAN 2018
 HTTPS://WWW.ACF.HHS.GOV/SITES/DEFAULT/FILES/OTIP/ADULT HUMAN TRAFFICKING SCREENING T
 OOL AND GUIDE.PDF
- HHS MATERIALS TO DOWNLOAD: <u>WWW.ACF.HHS.GOV/OTIP/RESOURCE-LIBRARY/SEARCH</u>
- PROJECT REACH MENTAL HEALTH:
 HTTP://WWW.TRAUMACENTER.ORG/CLIENTS/PROJECTREACH/PROJECT REACH.PHP
- FLORIDA TASK FORCE CIRCUIT CONTACTS:
- ► HTTP://MYFLORIDALEGAL.COM/PAGES.NSF/MAIN/1B65E6FE7329293A852583F3005782B2
- NATIONAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING RESOURCE CENTER
 - 888-3737-888 OR TEXT "BEFREE"
 - HEAL HUMAN TRAFFICKING PROTOCOL TOOLKIT FOR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS HTTPS://HEALTRAFFICKING.ORG/2017/06/NEW-HEAL-TRAFFICKING-AND-HOPE-FOR-JUSTICES-PROTOCOL-TOOLKIT-FOR-DEVELOPING-A-RESPONSE-TO-VICTIMS-OF-HUMAN-TRAFFICKING-IN-HEALTH-CARE-SETTINGS/
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Question & Answers