

Commercial Sexual Exploitation Identification Tool (CSE-IT) – version 2.0

1. HOUSING AND CAREGIVING. The youth experiences housing or caregiving instability for any reason.	No Information	No Concern	Possible Concern	Clear Concern
a. Youth runs away or frequently leaves their residence for extended periods of time (overnight, days, weeks).	0	0	1	2
b. Youth experiences unstable housing, including multiple foster/group home placements.	0	0	1	2
c. Youth experiences periods of homelessness, e.g. living on the street or couch surfing.	0	0	1	2
d. Youth relies on emergency or temporary resources to meet basic needs, e.g. hygiene, shelter, food, medical care.	0	0	1	2
e. Parent/caregiver is unable to provide adequate supervision.	0	0	1	2
f. Youth has highly irregular school attendance, including frequent or prolonged tardiness or absences.	0	0	1	2
g. Youth has current or past involvement with the child welfare system.	0	0	1	2
Indicator 1 Score: A subtotal of 0 to 3 = No Concern. A subtotal of 4 or 5 = Possible Concern. A subtotal from 6 to 14 = Clear Concern. Circle score here →	0	No Concern 0	Possible Concern 1	Clear Concern 2
2. PRIOR ABUSE OR TRAUMA. The youth has experienced trauma (not including exploitation).	No Information	No Concern	Possible Concern	Clear Concern
a. Youth has been sexually abused.	0	0	1	2
b. Youth has been physically abused.	0	0	1	2
c. Youth has been emotionally abused.	0	0	1	2
d. Youth has witnessed domestic violence.	0	0	1	2
Indicator 2 Score: A subtotal of 0 or 1 = No Concern. A subtotal of 2 = Possible Concern. A subtotal from 3 to 8 = Clear Concern. Circle score here→	0	No Concern 0	Possible Concern 1	Clear Concern 2
3. PHYSICAL HEALTH AND APPEARANCE. The youth experiences notable changes in health and appearance.	No Information	No Concern	Possible Concern	Clear Concern
a. Youth presents a significant change in appearance, e.g. dress, hygiene, weight.	0	0	1	2
o. Youth shows signs of physical trauma, such as bruises, black eyes, cigarette burns, or broken bones.	0	0	1	2
c. Youth has tattoos, scarring or branding, indicating being treated as someone's property.	0	0	1	2
d. Youth has repeated or concerning testing or treatment for pregnancy or STIs.	0	0	1	2
e. Youth is sleep deprived or sleep is inconsistent.	0	0	1	2
. Youth has health problems or complaints related to poor nutrition or irregular access to meals.	0	0	1	2
g. Youth's substance use impacts their health or interferes with their ability to unction.	0	0	1	2
n. Youth experiences significant change or escalation in their substance use.	0	0	1	2
ndicator 3 Score: A subtotal of 0 or 1 = No Concern. A subtotal of 2 or 3 = Possible Concern. A subtotal from 4 to 16 = Clear Concern. Circle score here →	0	No Concern 0	Possible Concern 1	Clear Concern 2
B. ENVIRONMENT AND EXPOSURE. The youth's environment or activities place them at risk of exploitation.	No Information	No Concern	Possible Concern	Clear Concern
. Youth engages in sexual activities that cause harm or place them at risk of ictimization.	0	0	1	2
o. Youth spends time where exploitation is known to occur.	0	0	1	2
:. Youth uses language that suggests involvement in exploitation.	0	0	1	2

e. Youth is bullied or targeted about exploitation.	0	0	1	2
f. Youth has current or past involvement with law enforcement or juvenile justice.	0	0	1	2
g. Gang affiliation or contact involves youth in unsafe sexual encounters.	0	0	1	2
Indicator 4 Score: A subtotal of 0 = No Concern. A subtotal of 1 = Possible	0	No Concern	Possible Concern 1	Clear Concern 2
Concern. A subtotal from 2 to 14 = Clear Concern. Circle score here →		0		
5. RELATIONSHIPS AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS. The youth's relationships	No	No	Possible	Clear
and belongings are not consistent with their age or circumstances, suggesting possible recruitment by an exploiter.	Information	Concern	Concern	Concern
a. Youth has unhealthy, inappropriate or romantic relationships, including (but not limited to) with someone older/an adult.	0	0	1	2
b. Youth meets with contacts they developed over the internet, including sex partners or boyfriends/girlfriends.	0	0	1	2
c. Explicit photos of the youth are posted on the internet or on their phone.	0	0	1	2
d. Youth receives or has access to unexplained money, credit cards, hotel keys, gifts, drugs, alcohol, transportation.	0	0	1	2
e. Youth has several cell phones or their cell phone number changes frequently.	0	0	1	2
f. Youth travels to places that are inconsistent with their life circumstances.	0	0	1	2
Indicator 5 Score: A subtotal of $0 = No$ Concern. A subtotal of 1 or $2 = Possible$ Concern. A subtotal from 3 to $12 = Clear$ Concern. Circle score here \rightarrow	0	No Concern 0	Possible Concern 1	Clear Concern 2
6. SIGNS OF CURRENT TRAUMA. The youth exhibits signs of trauma exposure.	No Information	No Concern	Possible Concern	Clear Concern
a. Youth appears on edge, preoccupied with safety, or hypervigilant.	0	0	1	2
o. Youth has difficulty detecting or responding to danger cues.	0	0	1	2
c. Youth engages in self-destructive, aggressive, or risk-taking behaviors.	0	0	1	2
d. Youth has a high level of distress about being accessible by cell phone.	0	0	1	2
Indicator 6 Score: A subtotal of $0 = No$ Concern. A subtotal of 1 or $2 = Possible$ Concern. A subtotal from 3 to $8 = Clear$ Concern. Circle score here \rightarrow	0	No Concern 0	Possible Concern 1	Clear Concern 2
7. COERCION. The youth is being controlled or coerced by another person.	No Information	No Concern	Possible Concern	Clear Concern
a. Youth has an abusive or controlling intimate partner.	0	0	1	2
o. Someone else is controlling the youth's contact with family or friends, leaving the youth socially isolated.	0	0	1	2
c. Youth is coerced into getting pregnant, having an abortion, or using contraception.	0	0	1	2
d. Someone is not allowing the youth to sleep regularly or in a safe place, go to school, eat, or meet other basic needs.	0	0	1	2
e. The youth or their friends, family, or other acquaintances receive threats.	0	0	1	2
Youth gives vague or misleading information about their age, whereabouts, esidence, or relationships.	0	0	1	2
colderice, or relationships.	4		Possible	Clear
ndicator 7 Score: A subtotal of 0 = No Concern. A subtotal of 1 = Possible	0	No Concern 0	Concern	
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ndicator 7 Score: A subtotal of 0 = No Concern. A subtotal of 1 = Possible Concern. A subtotal of 2 to 12 = Clear Concern. Circle score here → 3. EXPLOITATION. The youth exchanges sex for money or material goods,		0	Concern 1	2
ndicator 7 Score: A subtotal of 0 = No Concern. A subtotal of 1 = Possible Concern. A subtotal of 2 to 12 = Clear Concern. Circle score here → 3. EXPLOITATION. The youth exchanges sex for money or material goods, including food or shelter. a. Youth is exchanging sex for money or material goods, including food or shelter	No	0 No	Concern 1 Possible	2 Clear
ndicator 7 Score: A subtotal of 0 = No Concern. A subtotal of 1 = Possible Concern. A subtotal of 2 to 12 = Clear Concern. Circle score here → 3. EXPLOITATION. The youth exchanges sex for money or material goods, including food or shelter. a. Youth is exchanging sex for money or material goods, including food or shelter or themselves or someone else, e.g. child, family, partner.	No Information	0 No Concern	Concern 1 Possible Concern	2 Clear Concern
Indicator 7 Score: A subtotal of 0 = No Concern. A subtotal of 1 = Possible Concern. A subtotal of 2 to 12 = Clear Concern. Circle score here → B. EXPLOITATION. The youth exchanges sex for money or material goods, including food or shelter. a. Youth is exchanging sex for money or material goods, including food or shelter for themselves or someone else, e.g. child, family, partner. b. Youth is watched, filmed or photographed in a sexually explicit manner.	No Information	No Concern	Concern 1 Possible Concern	Clear Concern
Indicator 7 Score: A subtotal of 0 = No Concern. A subtotal of 1 = Possible	No Information 0	No Concern 0	Concern 1 Possible Concern 1	Clear Concern 2

Scoring Instructions:

- 1. Enter each Indicator Score in the corresponding box in this table.
- 2. Add Indicator Scores 1 through 7 and enter the total in box A.
- 3. If Indicator 8 score = 1 (Possible Concern), enter 4 in box B. If Indicator 8 score = 2 (Clear Concern), enter 9 in box B.
- 4. Add boxes A and B for a Total Score between 0 and 23, and enter the Total Score in the final box.
- 5. Plot the Total Score on the Continuum of Concern below to determine level of concern for exploitation.

Indicator:		Indicator score
1. HOUSING AND CAREGIVING		
2. PRIOR ABUSE OR TRAUMA		
3. PHYSICAL HEALTH AND APPEARANCE		
4. ENVIRONMENT AND EXPOSURE		
5. RELATIONSHIPS AND PERSONAL BELONGINGS		
6. SIGNS OF CURRENT TRAUMA		
7. COERCION		
Add scores for indicators 1 through 7	A.	
(Score cannot exceed 14):		
8. EXPLOITATION		
If Indicator 8 score is 1 (Possible Concern) put 4 in Box B If Indicator 8 is a 2 (Clear Concern) put 9 in Box B	В.	
TOTAL: Add boxes A and B for a total score between 0-23.	TOTAL	

Continuum of Concern

(draw a line indicating level of concern for exploitation)

