

HUMAN TRAFFICKING ALGORITHM

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ADDRESS
EMERGENT
CONCERNS

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NOTIFY
ATTENDING
PHYSICIAN

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SEPARATE FROM
CHAPERONE TO
INTERVIEW
ALONE

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CONTACT
HUMAN
TRAFFICKING
HOTLINE

SAMPLE QUESTIONNAIRE:

- Do you feel safe?
- Have you been physically harmed?
- Have you been forced to do anything you do not want to do?
- Has anyone asked you to do a job without getting paid or minimally paid?
- Have you been threatened if you try to leave or has anyone threatened your family?
- Has anyone ever asked you to have sex or sell anything in exchange for something you wanted or needed (money, food, shelter, or other items)?
- Where do you sleep and eat?
- Has your ID or documentation been taken from you?
- Have you been denied food, water, sleep, or medical care?

IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER:

- Trafficker might pose as family or friend.
- Assess risk of separating patient from trafficker
- Do NOT restrain patient
- Only call police if need for security

IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

- Human Trafficking Hotline 888-373-7888
- UH PD: 216-844-HELP
- Human Trafficking Task Force:
216-443-6085

RED FLAGS

- Discrepancy between HPI or pattern of injury (vague history or has run away frequently)
- History of multiple STIs or pregnancies or abortions
- Presence of tattoos or other forms of branding (check bottom of feet)
- Disconnected from family, friends, community, organizations, or house of worship
- Has stopped going to school
- Sudden or dramatic change in behavior
- Person disoriented, confused, or showing signs of mental or physical abuse
- Bruises in various stages
- Person fearful, timid, or submissive during the visit
- Person shows signs of being denied food, water, sleep, or medical care
- Person defers answers to someone else or someone else seems in control of the situation
- Person seems coached in their answers
- Living in unsuitable conditions
- Lack of personal possessions