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Potential Indicators

The following list is intended to encompass transnational and domestic trafficking, as well as both sex and labor trafficking. Some indicators may be more strongly associated with one type of trafficking. (Provided by NHTRC / Polaris Project.)

CALL 1.888.3737.888 IF YOU SUSPECT THE INDIVIDUAL(S) IN QUESTION:



- Is not free to leave or come and go as he/she wishes
- Exhibits unexplained injuries or signs of prolonged/untreated illness or disease
- Is under 18 years of age and is providing commercial sex acts
- Appears malnourished
- Is in the commercial sex industry and has a pimp/manager
- Shows signs of physical and/or sexual abuse, physical restraint, confinement, or torture
- Is unpaid, paid very little, or paid only through tips
- Has few or no personal possessions. Is not in control of his/her own money, and/or has no financial records.
- Owes a large and/or increasing debt and is unable to pay it off
- Is not in control of his/her own identification documents. (e.g. ID, passport, or visa)
- Works excessively long and/or unusual hours. Is not allowed breaks or suffers under unusual restrictions at work
- Is not allowed or able to speak for him/herself (e.g., a third party may insist on being present and/or interpreting)
- Was recruited through false promises concerning the nature and conditions of his/her work.
- Has an attorney that he/she doesn't seem to know or to have agreed to receive representation services from.
- Is living or working in a location with high security measures (e.g. opaque, boarded-up windows, security cameras, etc.)
- Has been "branded" by a trafficker (e.g. a tattoo of the trafficker's name)
- Exhibits unusually fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense, or nervous/paranoid behavior
- Claims to be "just visiting" and is unable to clarify where he/she is staying or to provide an address
- Reacts with unusually fearful or anxious behavior at any reference to "law enforcement"
- Exhibits a lack of knowledge of whereabouts and/or does not know what city he/she is in