What You Should Know to Detect Potential Child Sexual Abuse

Best Practices for Protecting Minors on Campus
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Control
We invite minors to campus.

Babysitting Certification Class
Haunted House

It's gonna be scary. Are you ready?

Thursday, October 16th
Minors come with or visit family.
We lease facilities to groups that invite minors.

Camp Kesem
Alexa Café for Teen Girls

NIKE SOFTBALL CAMPS COLUMBUS STATE UNIVERSITY
We conduct research on or about minors.
We provide services to minors including education, healthcare, and daycare.
We go to minors.
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Privacy can be created many places – an office, classroom, locker room, car, or home.
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The child sexual abuser controls the child and the surrounding adults.
Molesters seem charming, inspire trust, and are “great with kids.”
Victims may be hungry for attention, disabled, or from difficult family circumstances.
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Signs of Possible Abuse

**Physical Abuse**
- Burns
- Unexplained bruises, broken bones, black eyes
- Welts
- Bite marks
- Bald spots
- Report by child

**Sexual Abuse**
- Difficulty walking or sitting
- Precocious sexual knowledge
- Reluctance to undress for gym or swimming, double dressing
- Report by child
Signs of Possible Neglect

- Lacks needed medical care, dental care, immunizations, glasses
- Begs or steals food or money
- Consistently dirty, ill-clothed, unwashed
- Abuses drugs/alcohol
- Reports lack of supervision at home
During a program, a youth may disclose abuse or neglect in the home or community.
Mandated Reporters in Georgia

Healthcare providers

Law enforcement personnel

Teachers, guidance counselors, school administrators

Persons who process or produce visual or printed matter

Child service organization personnel
  • Includes any organization, whether public, private, for-profit, not-for-profit, or voluntary
  • That provides care, treatment, education, training, supervision, coaching, counseling, recreational programs, or shelter to children.

List not exhaustive
Resources
Best Ever Google Search Tip

Youth protection policy site:.edu

SITE COLON DOT EDU

Search restricted just to .edu domains.
Prevent Child Abuse Georgia
Housed at Georgia State University’s Center for Healthy Development
http://abuse.publichealth.gsu.edu

Prevent Child Abuse America
www.preventchildabuse.org

Child Welfare Information Gateway
www.childwelfare.gov

American Camp Association
www.acacamps.org
Georgia Camp Requirements

Info on state requirements for camps

www.acacamps.org/resource-library/state-laws-regulations/state-regulations-georgia
National Sex Offender Public Website

U.S. Department of Justice

www.nsopw.gov
Youth Protection Network for Higher Education

Google Group offering free

Monthly conference calls
List Serve
Resource library in development
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Thoughts, Comments, Questions?

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