

Child Trafficking Decision Map

Purpose: To determine risk level for child trafficking.

Directions: Please go through **all** of the below questions to determine risk level. The red flags are scaled with the first sections containing lower risk indicators and subsequent sections containing increasingly higher risk indicators. Children should be identified at the highest risk level category they fall into.

Risk levels include:

- At-Risk
 - Youth should be identified as “at-risk” if yes is indicated on any 1-6 red flags in Section A.
- High-Risk
 - Youth should be identified as “high-risk” if yes is indicated on any 7-14 red flags in Section A;
OR
 - Youth should be identified as “high-risk” if yes is indicated on any 1-3 red flags in Section B.
- Suspected
 - Youth should be identified as “suspected” if yes is indicated on any 4-11 red flags in Section B;
OR
 - Youth should be identified as “suspected” if yes is indicated on 1 or more red flags in Section C.
- Confirmed.
 - Youth should be identified as “confirmed” if yes is indicated on 1 or more red flags in Section D.

Section A: Red Flag Indicators to Determine Risk Level for Child Trafficking

Red Flags	Yes	No	Unknown
Is there any sexually explicit material of the child being used to manipulate them?			
Has the child posted or sent sexually explicit material of themselves to others?			
Has the child self-disclosed or reported history of multiple and/or anonymous sex partners?			
Has the child been exposed to pornographic material?			
Does the child have a history of multiple/chronic sexually transmitted disease or pregnancies or vaginal and rectal injury?			
Is the child afraid of their employer/supervisor?			
Are there noticeable change in appearance (e.g., provocative clothing, wearing of out of season clothing, tight fitting clothing, unkept appearance) or behavior/attitude (e.g., increase in anxiety/depression, change in demeanor)?			
Has the child been found with knives or some form of weapon in their possession?			
In the last year has there been new or an increased substance or poly-substance use?			
Has the child reported numerous inconsistencies with his/her story?			
Has anyone threatened to cause harm to them or to their family?			
Has gang affiliation been disclosed, reported or suspected?			
Is the child reluctant to speak about injuries, bruises or tattoos?			
Does the child have multiple and or untreated dental or medical issues?			

Section B: Red Flag Indicators to Determine Risk Level for Child Trafficking

Red Flags	Yes	No	Unknown
Does the child have a history of multiple runaways?			
Has the child been in possession of money, cell phone or other items that cannot be explained or accounted for?			
Is the child known to associate with one or more confirmed or suspected trafficked youth?			
Is the child in a sexual relationship with a partner 3 or more years older than him/her?			
Does the child have a history of sexual abuse?			
Does a family member have a history of prostitution or human trafficking victimization?			
Has the child ever had to lie about their job duties?			
Is the child not being paid for hours worked (Labor)			
Has the child experienced working abnormal work hours, no breaks, vacations or is missing school as a result of work?			
Is someone else in control of the child's ID?			
Is there an older companion who answers for the youth who is not their legal guardian?			

Section C: Red Flag Indicators to Determine Risk Level for Child Trafficking

Red Flags	Yes	No	Unknown
Has the child utilized social media, apps, gaming systems or dating sites to engage in behaviors associated with human trafficking?			
Is the child utilizing "Language of the Life"?			
Has it been reported that the child is spending time in or has been recovered from a hotel known for prostitution, a trap house, or another known area for prostitution?			
Is the child known to associate with one or more confirmed or suspected traffickers?			
Has there been unauthorized travel across county or state lines?			
Was the child recruited through false promises concerning the nature and conditions of his/her work?			
Have there been reports of human trafficking by a mandated reporter or caretaker?			

Section D: Red Flag Indicators to Determine Risk Level for Child Trafficking

Red Flags	Yes	No	Unknown
Has law enforcement confirmed through an investigation that the child has been trafficked or engaged in any commercial, sexually exploitive activity?			
Has the child self-reported an exchange of a sex act for shelter, transportation, drugs, alcohol, money or other item(s) of value?			
Has child reported any exchange of labor through force, fraud, or coercion for something of value?			
Has there been an agreement made via electronic communication offering to exchange sex for something of value?			