

IDENTIFYING HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS IN JAIL

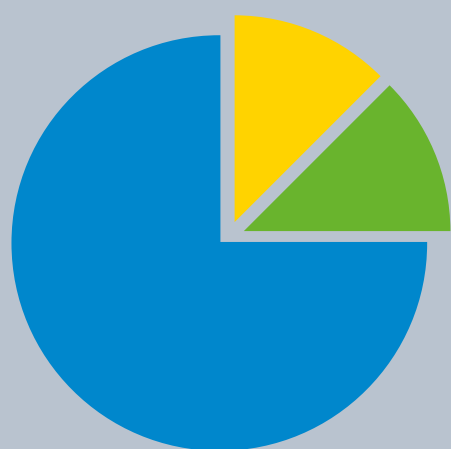
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PURPOSE

- Recognize possible human trafficking victims in correctional facilities such as jails
- Create an opportunity to offer appropriate care to the victims
- Help those involved in human trafficking to re-integrate into society



BACKGROUND



- It is estimated that 24.9 million people around the world are involved in human trafficking
- Two major categories: Sex trafficking and Labor trafficking
- Common demographics of victims are women and children, immigrants/minorities and poor
- Common risk factors are substance abuse, mental health problems and unstable housing

METHODS

- Create a screening tool that can help identify trafficking victims
- Work with mental health staff to develop questions/target areas that would elicit appropriate information
- Potential solution would be to offer appropriate care to victim such as trauma informed care



RELEVANCE TO FORENSIC NURSING



- The role of the forensic nurse is to help those from vulnerable populations such as trafficking victims
- Forensic nurses must be able to identify those victims so appropriate healthcare can be provided

