

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

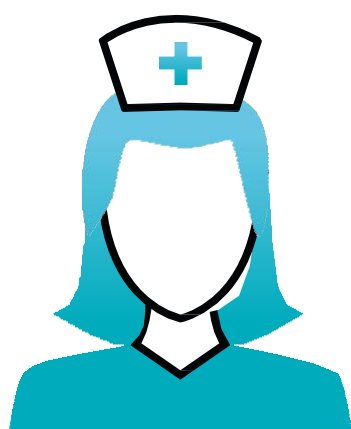
Human trafficking is the second largest criminal industry in the world
Two major categories: Sex trafficking and Labor trafficking
Common demographics of victims are women and children, immigrants/minorities and poor
Common risk factors are substance abuse, mental health problems and

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



For more information on Human Trafficking, visit <https://polarisproject.org/>