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### Human trafficking response education program for hospitals

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This two-hour presentation is oriented to hospital administrators interested in writing policies and procedures on how to address human trafficking if it is identified at a hospital. Trafficking in Persons remains a grave challenge facing all communities. Yet despite the increasing prevalence of human trafficking, it is not something hospital administrators plan for. Recent reports in the US

now indicate that nearly 88% of human trafficking victims say they have had contact with a health care professional while being trafficked. Human trafficking victims have many health issues stemming from their abuse, such as behavioral health disorders, smoking, and substance misuse. Hospital security personnel need advanced training on human trafficking detection so they can respond properly when an emergency room nurse calls them to report a possible human trafficking victim in their hospital. Absent a written policy on how to handle these incidents, a hospital's liability increases.

**Performance Objectives:** This

two-hour presentation provides students with an understanding of (a) what is human trafficking, and its common forms (b) why most human trafficking victims have contact with a health care professional while being trafficked (c) what are the indicators of human trafficking in patients visiting a hospital's emergency room (d) what hospital personnel often have contact with human trafficking victims, and what policies should be written on how they should respond accordingly, and (e) when should hospital personnel contact law enforcement about suspicions of human trafficking.

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