

Ending Child Sexual Abuse

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Depiction of children in media and pornography: Implications for prevention

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<http://preventconnect.org/2012/10/web-conference-ending-child-sexual-abuse-7/>

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it is my understanding the child porn and familiat prostitution are Sex
Trafficking

Not seing slides or images

Mark, try logging out and logging back on. You can stay on the phone if
you're using that for audio.

thank you...i can see the images now

Has anyone heard of the new social sharing site "Sextingo"? It is a place
where people can share sext photos and rate them.

never heard of it

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Thank You Ashley

Thank you Sharon

I recommend Dr Gail Dine's' Stop Porn Culture' group. These issues are often
discussed via their facebook group.

misconceptions about sex offenders

increased cases with child pornographic images.

www.misrepresentation.org

gender roles and biases

online media shapes norms for children's behavior

Oh my goodness, I just check out Sextingo -

gender roles and sterotypes

increased pressure for kids to "be what they see"

"safely store your sexting pictures"

Scary right, Ashley

<http://www.sextingo.com/HomePage/>

I see media representations of sex and intimacy negatively shaping boys
idea of masculinity, power and control

As a Prevention Educator, I hear stories of institutionalized sexual harassment
amongst kids and young girls "booking appointments" for blow jobs in the
park

the media promotes the correlation of violent criminal behavior with the
most severe forms of mental illness. This creates a significant barrier to
services and treatment across cultural boundaries.

www.internetsafety101.org

gender roles and how they tie into beliefs about who should have power
Boys share with me that boys/men have sex for the cool factor or bragging
rights and girls/women for love or peer pressure.

Music, media, movies, the normalization of sexualized images

significant disconnect between reality and fiction/fantasy

Absolutely. The normalization of porn leads to increased violence in
relationships and possibly human trafficking. Check out the book "Pornland"
by Gail Dines

Pornland was very good, Big Porn Inc by Melinda Tankard Reist is a MUST
read

Because so many people believe pornography is a victimless crime (that the
girls/women want to do it), they may also believe that this is the way all girls
and women want to and will behave.

I see the effects of media giving a false sense of how the criminal justice
process takes place, especially in the Los Angeles area thus giving victims
unrealistic expectations on sentencing and the time it takes for a case to be
completed

<- that study is on the SPC! website (about acts of aggression per scene in
porn)

I see the effects of media causing victims to not reach out for help...also in
many ads and TV shows there are too many sexual innuendos which turn
innocent remarks and/or comments to be taken the wrong way with
unintended sexual interest

we are working with a 10 year exposed to pornography by an older cousin. the 10 year old shared what he saw with classmates at school and got into trouble. the school's response is weak...they are telling the children that they cannot discuss what they saw and cannot be with each other while at school. I am at wits end with this stupidity. Suggestions?

A great example of this normalized porn is the rate of co-eds who remove all of their pubic hair. The huge majority of females do this because it is what the males desire due to their growing up on images of porn, where the females are always hairless.

www.pornharms.org

www.moralityinmedia.org

I think there's a lot to be said also about the sexualization of children in mainstream media - I'm thinking here of things like the appearance of young children in sexualized poses and dress appearing in high-end advertising

www.socialcostsofpornography.org

increased violence in the CSA cases that I investigate.

really low self-esteem for many girls and women

The elimination of consent and discussion as well as the eroticization of domination.

Everyday I work with children who feel so much pressure to act out those negative gender roles, no room for alternatives

For example http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-505123_162-42749645/how-prada-and-vogue-use-child-porn-to-normalize-anorexia/

www.purehope.net (often forgotten is the spiritual fallout from exposure

child protective services is getting reports of CSEC youth who are exploited in multiple ways...including photographs, videos and person-2-person crimes

We are seeing an increase in teen dating violence, their perceptions and view of intimacy is warped

This is happening again and again, in much more explicitly mainstream media even than porn (though I agree that pornography is increasingly normalized to the mainstream)

Unrealistic ideas about sex in all kinds of ways, performance, desire, capacity

Jenny, that situation is a prime opportunity to have an open discussion. I think 10 yr olds having been exposed to this should be able to be talked to.

<http://www.missrepresentation.org/> documentary on oversexualization of young girls

Boys I have worked with in therapy struggle with intimate relationships as they expect in sex what they see in porn

we are working at learning more about this abuse and our children (CSEC youth focus) and finding resources for these children and their families who are protective and not involved in the exploitation

I agree with Lori...There has been an increased in CSA cases involving a higher degree of violence.

Yes, most teenagers believe that intimacy = sex

We see alot more kids sexually acting out with each other and i'm wondering about how porn is influencing this.

increase in disrespect towards females

Young men in my classrooms cite pronography as a primary source of information about how to be "good" at sex-- school teaches thm how to use a condom, but so many young men are insecure about being "good at it". Porn (they think) fills that gap. It's difficult to imaine sex ed program countering this, but we try!

<http://birdsandbeesandkids.com/>

It is so hard to express to young girls that love is not sex.

www.beautyredefined.net is another great one geared towards boosting the self esteem of young women, they also have a section of info about the harms of porn.

Youth do not consider oral sex as sex

<http://www.notonemorechild.org/about>

This is a public health issue and needs to be addressed that way. Where are the public health professionals working on this from that perspective?

Intervention, prevention,

Is there any way to get a list of these websites that are being mentioned after the conference?

Getting upstream information on public health

http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1742953

Linda, that was my sense too. The school is at a loss how to respond to the child exposed and then the children he shared his experience with. I would welcome how to direct the school and/or parents how to reframe this experience.

Sarah, a copy of the chat will be uploaded on the website

Great, thank you Leona!

we see evidence of sexual self-objectificaton in the media, particularly in the behaviors of young media personalities (Lindsay Lohan, Miley Cyrus)

One of things I try to teach the youth I work with as well as my own daughters, is that a boy needs to win your mind, before he can win your heart, and he needs to win your heart, before your body...

I think part of the public health issue is that those who work on "healthy sexuality" tend to be separated from those who work on SV prevention. Let's make connections and build bridges.

tax-payer funded agencies (local/state public health) should be able to address and educate about this but they are also the first to be portrayed in the media as using tax payers money to produce inappropriate training materials.

Here is a resource from CDC on Preventing CSA in Youth Serving Organizations

We need to raise the stakes as a "pink ribbon" campaign that effects everyone's thinking -

Not only youth but many adults do not consider oral sex as sex. Many females I've worked with are surprised to hear that it is sex.

As a Prevention educator, I receive a lot of push back from public schools, esp. high schools about talking to students about rape culture. They'd rather us talk about rape crisis centers and what to do "if" a situation happens but not so interested in preventing the situation or having adult conversations with teenagers

www.d2l.org (online training for Stewardship of Children)

I might have missed this one, but video games are a huge desensitizer like Grand Theft Auto allows users to have sex or have prostitutes in them.

So key to have parents and other concerned adults talking to kids about healthy sexuality

Sorry, here you go.

[Http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pdf/PreventingChildSexualAbuse-a.pdf#page=1](http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pdf/PreventingChildSexualAbuse-a.pdf#page=1)

www.stopitnow.org

Ashley- you also get to maim and kill the prostitutes in GTA

The link for Preventing Child Sexual Abuse Within Youth-serving Organizations: Getting Started on Policies and Procedures is

<http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pub/preventingchildabuse.html>

Sorry, inappropriate training materials should have been in quotes. That was a little humoristic sarcasm.

Girls from different cultures are also engaging in anal sex so they can claim they are still virgins...

Rachel, tha's true!

How do you deal with the pushback from schools/principals?

In other countires CSA seems to be acceptable; young girls given to older men, arranged marriages etc.

http://ncfy.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/bought_and_sold.pdf

Bought and Sold is available on CSEC

Once self sexual objectification has taken place, what is the most effective "treatment" that can be done to help youth redefine their self worth and what do those outcomes look like?

Karishma-- I spent a ot of time combing through the local/state and national standards for sexual health education, as wlel as the Healthy Youth Act to build the csae. Also, spending a year doing what they want helped me build trust and be in a position to bring in the primary prevention/rape culture content in the 2nd or 3rd year

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and in year 4 I will learn to type properly

Anal sex is another great example of the normalization of porn. 20 years ago this was not the norm in porn, it was the extreme. Now it is in every mainstream "gonzo" porn video. Therefore it has become the norm for teens, who have used this porn as sex ed.

Talking about an d"integrating" sexuality in educational setting, multiple topics, needs to start in university schools of education where teachers are trained. Should be a strong core of the curriculum.

<http://www.nsvrc.org/publications/child-sexual-abuse-prevention-information-packet>

<http://www.napsac.us/>

Thank You Rachel!

Susan-- Amen! We've been trying to access our local School of Ed for years. Anyone had luck with that?

I'd like to connect with you some more, I am really struggling with this

I agree with Susan. It needs to come from the top down. And it seems to me that the younger generation is more open to approaching difficult topics because they grew up with it.

Karishma, me too!

Yes! Linda. Students want to have this conversation, I know the kids I talk to appreciate it because no one else is talking to them but there's a lot of red tape to get through

David, perhaps you could connect us? or hold a conversation for us?

As much as I agree with taking advantage of the "teachable moment" if a teacher tried to handle it in the classroom there would be a lot of negative flack from the parents. More than administrators would ever want to handle Red tape! Ugh!

I know, Linda

Thanks Cordelia, I remain hopeful!

No, not the classroom. start with the students/parents/administration for the first discussion

I have been struggling with getting my foot at the door of the local schools but administrators had been showing resistance. In the meantime the students are getting the wrong type of information in the net.

Thanks for the contact, Rachel! You'll be hearing from me!

That is true. But that is the one thing that stops all sexual violence prevention: nobody wants to deal with the fallout from talking about it. Normalize it. Schools used to never be "comfortable" handing out condoms, but that is pretty normal now.

but then it needs to be addressed perhaps like puberty discussions. Girl groups and boy groups to see what they're saying before bringing them together.

Alma, send me an email. Let's talk.

www.radkids.org - gets into school speaking and training kids on empowerment

Parents are in denial as to what today's porn is like

I know we all know that kids know more than we think they do and they don't think their familiar grown ups are open to discussions/questions.

http://www.yellodyno.com/Yello_Dyno_Method_Description.html (school based programs)

<http://www.kidpower.org/>

www.shelleylubben.com (ex porn star's site exposing the harm)

www.antipornography.org - another great resource

What a great teachable moment Dr. Cooper! I wish more doctor's had soap boxes in their exam rooms.

We can partner and work with pediatricians (and other docs)!
And med students, and residents...
it is parent education. but educators know that parent participation is extremely lacking.

I love Kidpower-- Probably the BEST programming I've seen for parents!
How can we de-glamorous porn?
change the minds of the marketing moguls?

seems like we need a public awareness campaign to even point out that these things have been normalized as many people don't notice that they are out there and that we have become conditioned to it all.

· ABC News, "Young Sexy," <http://abcnews.go.com/2020/video/young-sexy-15031065> .

Schools and health settings become another (perhaps the only but hopefully no) source of information for youngsters. Perhaps Lamaze classes, ob visits should also become settings for info about this an impact of adverse childhood experiences.

make pron illegal? don't make it a profitable "business"? I can come up with so many questions but it all comes down to money and media.

· Enough is Enough, www.enough.org

We have to be talking about the normalization of pedophilia under the "sexual orientation" non-discrimination clause

Some of the healthy sexuality sites designed by and for teens are really wonderful. If we can pub them heavily enough in a given school culture, they can become "cool" and normal . engaging youth in social norm changin in thier own schools ad mediascapes is so important!

Linda, porn, or obscenity, actually is illegal, it is just not enforced. "Porn Harms" is a group that fights at a macro level to try to enforce pre-existing laws.

That's a good point! I hadn't remembered the dance classes.

· WuDunn, Sheryl, TED Talk video

Is there a place to find the side by side images you are talking about?
Healthy vs not healthy

<http://www.nccdglobal.org/what-we-do/center-for-girls-and-young-women/gender-responsive-training-curricula-and-practical-too-0>

Actually that's what I meant, it is illegal but how to use the enforcement when it is such a money maker.

We need a set collection.

o <http://ecpatusa.org/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/Who-Is-There-to-Help-Us.3.pdf>

ooh, thanks for the TEDtalks, have not seen that one. Another great TEDtalks is <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wSF82AwSDiU> Gary Wilson's explanation of the addiction of porn.

Are there good watchdog groups to call marketers out on pornification of kids

Or Mom can take them to the woods and Dad can take them to the library or grocery shopping.

Haha @Susan, good point

Yes...Linda...for instance all of those strip joints that are making tons of money by exploiting young girls...or those naughty massage places. They advertise one thing but is prostitution covered at best.

<http://www.dhs.gov/stopthinkconnect-campaign-materials>

Job creators.

<http://www.covenanteyes.com/>

This group actually goes to middle schools and high schools and discusses all of these issues in an appropriate way. Send their info to your local schools and try to get them to set up an assembly! <Http://www.fightthenewdrug.org/> Talk to your children about healthy sexuality and normalize healthy sexuality including consent and empathy

Parents give children "permission" to be assertive

Speak up, trust your gut, talk with kids early and often

Have that difficult conversation - dialogue, dialogue, dialogue.

Be open to questions and provide honest answers about sex.

report suspected abuse to police!!! if you come across images that may or may not be children, let the internet task force figure it out! report, report, report!

education to the mainstream, not just people like us who are aware, proactive and want change. So often, people just don't believe CSA happens and wish to remain ignorant to this pandemic

keep talking about the concerns...and educating each other

Teach children that it's not a "pee pee" or a "hoo ha", it's a penis and a vagina. Empower children, give them appropriate language to use. Teach them to say No!

educate parents, monitor computer usage talk to our own children

make healthy sex a normalized thing. Too many people are uncomfortable with talking about healthy sex, yet our children have unhealthy sex in their faces constantly. healthy sex needs to be as normal as unhealthy sex is

The eradication of pornography will not eliminate unhealthy sexuality. A society that fosters healthy sexuality will.

and hopefully we can denormalize the unhealthy sex

Listen to the Jiminy Cricket voice - better to report and be wrong than not report and have been right. Listen to children who make outcry - 98% of reports are true (www.d2l.org)

Use media to promote healthy sexuality

<http://1in6.org/> for men and boys

Good point Leona.

<http://www.1bluestring.org/>

Collective voice - good word

<http://www.traffickstop.org/page/progressive-p-graphic>

I agree with Leona. Focus more on assets and less on deficits (i.e., healthy relationships vs. deviant behaviors)

model what you want to see - kindness, thanking strangers, saying hello recognizing our neighbors

SOAP box campaign! love it! Cleaning up CSEC

Love that TL!

empower children to identify an adult they trust which will give them the opportunity to talk about the hard stuff or confide in that trusted adult if they need help

Stewards of Children training is an empowerment curriculum (www.d2l.org)

SOAP box there has to be an acronym in there

OR our porn victimization

SOC is a great training. I highly recommend your communities to invest in this free training to the aimed towards the mainstream.

I agree that talking about it to our children and not being fearful about speaking out about it and promoting healthy sexuality. Also, as parents we need to demonstrate healthy, loving and appropriately intimate relationships in the home. Lead by example and speak openly about it. Love the comment about the disclaimer about your dinner table conversations. Take the lead and become a member of the soap box campaign as we work with our clients.

I think it is...TL...I watched the video before but in my opinion is sort of faith based.

Visual examples, yes...I work with teens and the public access TV station to create shows promoting healthy relationships. Great potential.

Speaking Out Against Pornography - SOAP

yeah...you got it! fabulous

TL!! You ROCK!

clinical assessment tools needed for docs to ID kids who have been exposed

David, that is so interesting-- where can i learn more about your work?

Excellent point Dr Andreson, men especially need to talk about the fact that they do not use porn any more. They need to normalize the idea that men don't "need" to use porn.

Relationship Smarts Plus is a curriculum to check into for MS HS ages

TL, I agree... so many times they may go undetected

Yes I like the drop box idea of healthy and non healthy images

There is still some room available in the 11/19 web conference

<http://preventconnect.org/2012/11/web-conference-ending-child-sexual-abuse-8/>

only through accidents do we find out they have exploited

Happy to share... Thanks for your interest.

no kidding-- I'm at OCRCC in Chapel Hill!

and www.traffickstop.org

Sexual Offenders Apprehended Program (S)_P X)

oops, SOAP Box

OK...meet for lunch?

I'll email you!

<http://wiki.preventconnect.org/Pornography+and+Violence+Against+Women>

Thank YOU wonderful women!

Great job - excellent stuff!

Thank you so much!

Thank you!

Thank you!

Thank you

Thank you for the great webinar.

THANK YOU!

This was a fantastic webinar. Thank you SO much!

Info-packed...thanks for sharing your insights and research!

Thank you very much!

Thank you for a great webinar!

Amazing amount of info covered in a very dynamic way. Thanks.

Karishma - please contact me

Wonderful webinar. Thank you so much!

THANK YOU!! so much great info! very impactful.

Thanks!

Thank you...very informative webinar

thanks for so much great info!!!

Thanks much for all this information!

Thank you

Thank-you all for sharing resources.

Thank you

Will these be archived? I am unable to attend the 19th and the 10th due to Court.

Great Information presented.

Thank you!!!

Also thank you for all of the links that have been shared

Great info- thanks so much.