

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES

CHILDREN'S DIVISION

P.O. BOX 88

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<p><u>What's Inside:</u> New Anti-Human Trafficking Website Released to Law Enforcement</p>
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MEMORANDUM

TO: REGIONAL EXECUTIVE STAFF, CIRCUIT MANAGERS AND CHILDREN'S DIVISION STAFF

FROM: TIM DECKER, DIRECTOR

SUBJECT: NEW ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING WEBSITE RELEASED TO LAW ENFORCEMENT

DISCUSSION:

The purpose of this memorandum is to inform staff of a new anti-human trafficking website which has been released for use by law enforcement agencies statewide to notify the Department of Social Services of human trafficking pursuant to Section 566.223 RSMo.

The Department may utilize this information to coordinate with state, federal, and local agencies to evaluate appropriate services for victims of trafficking. Such services may include, but are not limited to: case management; emergency temporary housing; healthcare; mental health counseling; alcohol and drug addiction screening and treatment; language interpretation and translation services; English language instruction; job training; and, placement assistance.

The Division's primary involvement will be focused on those situations which present allegations of child abuse/neglect and/or circumstances in which children have been taken into protective custody.

It is recommended that field administration and/or designated staff share the enclosed link (<https://apps.dss.mo.gov/HumanTrafficking/>) with their local law enforcement agencies, and discuss collaborative efforts of the multidisciplinary team in response to these types of cases.

Representatives from Central Office will communicate directly with Circuit Managers and/or Regional Administrators upon receipt of information from law enforcement agencies.

NECESSARY ACTIONS:

1. Review this memorandum with all Children’s Division staff.
2. All questions should be cleared through normal supervisory channels and directed to:

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CHILD WELFARE MANUAL REVISIONS

N/A

FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS

N/A

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS AND RESOURCE

N/A

RELATED STATUTE

[Chapter 210 RSMo.](#), [566.223 RSMo.](#)

ADMINISTRATIVE RULE

NA

COUNCIL ON ACCREDITATION (COA) STANDARDS

N/A

CHILD AND FAMILY SERVICES REVIEW (CFSR)

N/A

PROTECTIVE FACTORS –N/A

Parental Resilience
Social Connections
Knowledge of Parenting and Child Development
Concrete Support in Times of Need
Social and Emotional Competence of Children

FACES REQUIREMENTS

N/A