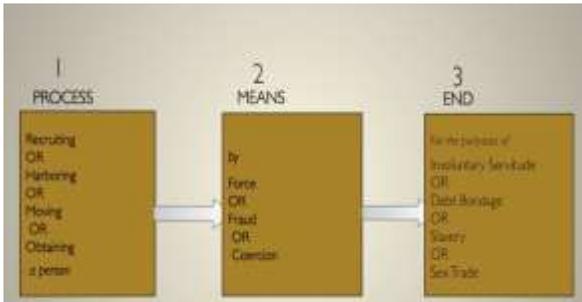


## **OBNDD JURISDICTION:**

Effective **November 1, 2012**, OBNDD's investigative authority was expanded to include offenses which involve the offenses of human trafficking. OBNDD encourages the public to contact the agency's Human Trafficking Unit at [1-855-617-2288](tel:1-855-617-2288) to report suspected Human Trafficking in Oklahoma.

## **THREE ELEMENTS OF TRAFFICKING**



*\*Any minor engaged in commercial sex is a victim of Human Trafficking*

## **DEFINING HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

"**Human Trafficking**" means recruiting, abducting, facilitating, transferring, harboring, or transporting a person, by threat or use of force, coercion, fraud or deception or by the purchase, sale, trade, transfer or receipt of a person, for the purpose of subjecting that person to involuntary servitude, peonage, slavery, slave-like practices, sex trafficking, or forced or bonded labor services.

"**Smuggling**" is **NOT** "Human Trafficking". The key distinction between trafficking and smuggling lies in the individual's freedom of choice. Smuggling is the consensual movement of a person from one point to another and ends at arrival to the destination. Central to the distinction is the denial of the trafficking victim's liberty.

## **FORMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING**

### **Sex Trafficking**

Victims of sex trafficking are often found in the streets or working in establishments that offer commercial sex acts, i.e. brothels, strip clubs, pornography production houses. Such establishments may operate under the guise of:

- Massage parlors
- Escort services
- Adult bookstores
- Modeling studios
- Bars/strip clubs

### **Labor Trafficking**

People forced into indentured servitude can be found in:

- Sweatshops (where abusive labor standards are present)
- Commercial agricultural situations (fields, processing plants, canneries)
- Domestic situations (maids, nannies)
- Construction sites (particularly if public access is denied)
- Restaurant and custodial work.

## **SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS**

### **Common Work and Living Conditions: The Individual(s) in Question**

- Is not free to leave or come and go as he/she wishes
- Is under 18 and is providing commercial sex acts
- Is in the commercial sex industry and has a pimp / manager
- Is unpaid, paid very little, or paid only through tips
- Works excessively long and/or unusual hours
- Is not allowed breaks or suffers under unusual restrictions at work
- Owes a large debt and is unable to pay it off
- Was recruited through false promises concerning the nature and conditions of his/her work
- High security measures exist in the work and/or living locations (e.g. opaque windows, boarded up windows, bars on windows, barbed wire, security cameras, etc.)

### **Poor Mental Health or Abnormal Behavior**

- Is fearful, anxious, depressed, submissive, tense, or nervous/paranoid
- Exhibits unusually fearful or anxious behavior after bringing up law enforcement
- Avoids eye contact

## Poor Physical Health

- Lacks health care
- Appears malnourished
- Shows signs of physical and/or sexual abuse, physical restraint, confinement, or torture

## Lack of Control

- Has few or no personal possessions
- Is not in control of his/her own money, no financial records, or bank account
- Is not in control of his/her own identification documents (ID or passport)
- Is not allowed or able to speak for themselves (a third party may insist on being present and/or translating)

## Other

- Claims of just visiting and inability to clarify where he/she is staying/address
- Lack of knowledge of whereabouts and/or do not know what city he/she is in
- Loss of sense of time
- Has numerous inconsistencies in his/her story



## QUESTIONS TO ASK A SUSPECTED HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM

- What type of work do you do?
- Are you being paid?
- Can you leave your job if you want to?
- Can you come and go as you please?
- Have you or your family been threatened?
- Can you describe your working or living conditions like?
- Where do you sleep and eat?
- Are there locks on your doors or windows so you cannot get out?
- Do you have to ask permission to eat, sleep, go to the bathroom?
- Has your identification or documentation been taken from you?

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