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SUBJECT/TITLE: Human Trafficking  
APPLICABILITY: All HealthPOINT clinics  
PURPOSE: To document and report incidences of human trafficking of patients receiving care at HealthPOiNT centers

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## DEFINITIONS:

***Human Trafficking***- “the recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of persons, by means of the threat or use of force or other forms of coercion, of abduction, of fraud, of deception, of the abuse of power or of a position of vulnerability or of the giving or receiving of payments or benefits to achieve the consent of a person having control over another person, for the purpose of exploitation. Exploitation shall include, at a minimum, the exploitation of the prostitution of others or other forms of sexual exploitation, forced labour or services, slavery or practices similar to slavery, servitude or the removal of organs,”

- <http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/human-trafficking/>

***Trafficking Victims Protection Act of 2000***- Public Law 106-386; an act, “to combat trafficking in persons, especially into the sex trade, slavery, and involuntary servitude, to reauthorize certain Federal programs to prevent violence against women, and for other purposes.”

- H.R. 3244, October 28, 2000

## PROCEDURE:

1. If there is immediate danger, call 911.
2. Reports of human trafficking shall be made to the National Human Trafficking Resource Center.
  - a. NHTRC hotline number is 1-888-373-7888, and operates 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
3. Provider will document in the progress note that the situation was reported to the National Human Trafficking Resource Center.

RELATED POLICY:

Human Trafficking

REFERENCE:

Polaris Project National Human Trafficking Resource Center

(<http://www.polarisproject.org>)

United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

(<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/human-trafficking>)

Govtrack.us

(<http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bills/106/hr3244/>)

REQUIRED BY:

Texas Department of State Health Services

ATTACHMENTS/ENCLOSURE: