



Potential Indicators or Red Flags of Sex Trafficking

- Evidence of being controlled/monitored; evasive communication
- Increasingly depressed, anxious, visibly stressed, low self-esteem
- Sudden, noticeable changes in behavior, relationships, activities
- Signs of abuse (bruises, burns, scars)
- Malnourished, exhausted
- Not in possession/control of ID or money
- Lack of knowledge regarding whereabouts
- Dating a new, significantly older person
- Noticeable change in clothing, possessions, hair or nails without an explainable source of income
- Appears scared, secretive or agitated when answering cell phone
- Uncharacteristically promiscuous behavior or references to sexual situations either in person or on social media
- Detached or isolated from majority of family and peers
- Tattoos – a name or initials that are not their own, money or gang symbols