

Division of Children and Family Services	
Protection and Safety Procedure Update #21-2013	
Regarding:	Sex Trafficking
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Philosophy:

The Division of Children and Family Services considers youth involved in sex trafficking as victims due to their age and inability to protect themselves from exploitation by adults.

Procedure:

When Law Enforcement takes a youth under the age of 18 into temporary custody who they determine to have been involved in prostitution or sex trafficking, Law Enforcement will notify the DHHS Hotline that the youth falls under the provision of the sex trafficking statutes. The Hotline CFS Specialist will enter a Dependency Intake with a Priority 1 response time of twenty-four hours.

The assigned Initial Assessment CFS Specialist will:

- Assess the need for the Child Advocacy Center to conduct the interviews and refer, if applicable;
- Complete and document a SDM Prevention Assessment and provide services as needed; and
- Contact the County Attorney to determine what action the County Attorney will be taken regarding the situation based on the report from Law Enforcement and recommendations of the DCFS.

References:

Sex Trafficking: Sex trafficking of a minor means knowingly recruiting, enticing, harboring, transporting, providing, or obtaining by any means or knowingly attempting to recruit, entice, harbor, transport, provide, or obtain by any means a minor for the purpose of having such minor engage in commercial sexual activity, sexually explicit performance, or the production of pornography or to cause or attempt to cause a minor to engage in commercial sexual activity, sexually explicit performance, or the production of pornography.

- Neb. Rev. Statute 28-707
- Neb. Rev. Statute 28-801
- Neb. Rev. Statute 43-247
- Neb. Rev. Statute 43-248