

WHAT TO DO

HOUSEKEEPING

- Guest rooms with excessive amounts of discarded condoms/ wrappers/ lubrication/sexual paraphernalia
- Indications of excessive alcohol consumption (e.g. empty bottles of spirits, high volume of discarded cans and bottles)
- Indicators of drug or substance misuse (e.g. spoons, wrappers, foil, water pipe, clip seal bags, syringes, rolled up papers, substance/ residue left on surfaces)

By passing your concerns on to the police, you could potentially save a child from being exploited and abused.

Trust your instincts. If you're concerned, tell the police.

If you believe a child is in immediate danger, or you have immediate concerns for the welfare of a child, call "000" or local police on **131 444**.

If your concern is about online child exploitation and abuse you can report directly to the Australian Centre to Counter Child Exploitation at www.accce.gov.au/report

If you would prefer to report in-confidence visit Crime Stoppers at www.crimestoppers.com.au or by phoning **1800 333 000**.

24 hour support is also available for children and young people at Kids Helpline **1800 55 1800** or kidshelpline.com.au



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This brochure provides information to identify signs of child sexual exploitation (CSE) and what you can do to help prevent CSE. Evidence suggests that accommodation services are frequently used as locations to meet, groom and abuse children. Accommodation services are in a unique position to help disrupt CSE.

WHAT IS CSE?

The United Nations says...

“Child sexual exploitation is the abuse of a child where some form of remuneration is involved whereby the perpetrators benefit – monetarily, socially, politically, etc. Exploitation constitutes a form of coercion and violence, detrimental to the child’s physical and mental health, development, and education.”

United Nations, 2015

Exploitation of children is a crime that can affect any child, anytime, anywhere, regardless of their social or ethnic background.

CSE can be carried out by individuals, by organised gangs or groups of adults.

It is important to note that exploited children are usually too scared and/or ashamed to ask for help themselves.

WHERE DOES IT HAPPEN?

Young people can be groomed and sexually exploited at a variety of premises and locations such as: Parks, shopping centres, taxi ranks, bus stops, bars, clubs, restaurants, take-always, gyms, hotels, hostels, Airbnb and online.

POTENTIAL INDICATORS

- Guests insisting on paying cash
- Guests who are hesitant to provide credit card information or identification
- Guests with a local address renting a room
- Guests who do not have luggage
- Guests who do not have any identification
- Guests who are secretive about the details/nature of their visit
- Last minute bookings or walk ins
- Bookings made in a different name than those individuals who are checking in
- Guests who do not want to be disturbed
- Guests who do not want their rooms cleaned
- Guests with a young person who appears nervous, withdrawn, fearful, hiding their face
- Guests with a young person who appears disorientated and/or lost (Unfamiliar with the area)
- Guests with a young person who appears to be acting on instruction/restricted from speaking
- Guests with a young person who appears to have visible injuries
- Guests who appear to be behaving in an overly sexual manner with a young person
- Young guests who appear to be under the influence of alcohol, drugs or substances rendering them vulnerable
- Young guests checking in during normal school hours
- Young guests checking in late in the evening
- Young people with significantly older partners (male/female)
- Young females who appear with make-up and clothing that is inappropriate for their age
- Young people hanging around public areas/watching public areas, (e.g. waiting for someone)
- Numerous visitors to a specific room
- Guests who access pornography to a high level while accompanied by young person
- Guests ordering alcohol to their room with young person/s present
- Prepaid bar tabs assigned to a guest or room with young person/s present
- Guests who are checking out early accompanied by young person/s
- Noise complaints from neighbouring rooms (e.g. party, shouting, sexualised behaviour)
- Room configurations that are concerning given the age/gender/number of guests checking in (Queen/King bed with 3 adults and 1 young person/s)
- Guests who ask for rooms that are isolated or away from public areas
- Guests who specifically ask for rooms next to fire exits
- Multiple adult guests accompanied by one or two young person/s (e.g. 4 adult males with 1 teenage girl)