

Where to find advice and support:



ChildLine

☎ 0800 1111
🌐 www.childline.org.uk



NSPCC

☎ 0808 800 5000
🌐 www.nspcc.org.uk



Missing people

☎ 116000
🌐 www.missingpeople.org



ThinkUKnow

🌐 www.thinkuknow.co.uk

CrimeStoppers

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☎ 0800 555 111
🌐 www.crimestoppers-uk.org



**Child Exploitation
and Online Protection (CEOP)**

🌐 www.ceop.police.uk



NWG

🌐 www.nwgnetwork.org



Barnardo's

☎ 01752 875934
🌐 www.barnardos.org.uk/cse



**Parents Against
Child Exploitation (PACE)**

☎ 0113 240 5226
🌐 paceuk.info/



Get Safe Online
Free expert advice

Getsafeonline

🌐 www.getsafeonline.org/

For support agencies in your area visit:

🌐 www.dc.police.uk/CSE

Reporting your concerns:

If you suspect a child or young person may be at risk, or have any information relating to child sexual exploitation, don't wait to act on your concerns or be worried about telling someone.

Contacting the police

Emergency - 999

Non-Emergency - dc.police.uk/ClickB4UCall

WebChat - dc.police.uk/webchat

Report crime online - dc.police.uk/reportcrime

Email - [101@dc.police.uk/](mailto:101@dc.police.uk)

Call 101

Deaf/hard of hearing or speech impaired

999 Emergency - SMS/text number

Register for this at www.emergencysms.org.uk

18000 Emergency - textphone/Minicom

67101 Non-Emergency - SMS/text number

18001 Non-Emergency - textphone/Minicom

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Devon & Cornwall Police

I DIDN'T KNOW
IF I HAD CONCERNS ABOUT
EXPLOITATION I COULD CALL THE POLICE



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What is child sexual exploitation?

Child sexual exploitation (CSE) is a form of child abuse.

CSE involves offenders grooming young people and using this control to sexually abuse them. It can be part of a seemingly consensual relationship where someone pretends to be a young person's friend, boyfriend or girlfriend and manipulates them with bribes, threats or violence. Victims are forced to have sex, or do sexual things with the offenders and/or other people.

It can happen to any child or young person from any background. It happens to young women and young men. Sexual exploitation affects thousands of children and young people every year.

Many young people who are being abused don't view themselves as victims and so don't ask for help.

CSE is happening now and we can all play an important role in helping to end this abuse.

Know the signs

Tackling CSE is everyone's business and as a parent or carer, it is important to talk to children about the differences between healthy and unhealthy relationships, to highlight potential risks.

There are warning signs in children's behaviour that may indicate that something is wrong.

- Being especially secretive; stop seeing their usual friends; have mood swings
- Develop relationships with older men and/or women
- Going missing from home and being reluctant to say where they've been or what they've been doing, staying out all night.
- Receiving messages or calls from 'new' contacts.
- Looking tired or unwell; sleeping at unusual hours.
- Regularly missing school.
- Displaying inappropriate sexualised behaviour.
- Receiving gifts/items they are unlikely to be able to afford themselves, such as mobile phones, iPods, jewellery; virtual gifts such as phone credits or online gaming cards.
- Sudden change in dress style or taste in music.

If you know what to look for, you can take steps to help.

Perpetrators may be:

- An adult
- Another young person (under 18)
- Male or female
- Any ethnicity
- Visible in everyday life
- Articulate, plausible, 'savvy'

Abusers may be very clever in the way they manipulate and take advantage of the young people they exploit. In most cases, the abuser will have power of some kind over the young person.

I DIDN'T KNOW
I WAS BEING TARGETED FOR SEX.
I THOUGHT WE WERE ONLINE
FRIENDS...

I DIDN'T KNOW
MY DAUGHTER WAS BEING SEXUALLY
EXPLOITED - I THOUGHT SHE WAS
OUT WITH HER FRIENDS.

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