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The last cool thing I learned from a young(er) person was....
My least favorite thing about social media/technology is....
My favorite thing about social media/technology is....
Who is your go-to techie for tech support?
Break the Cycle inspires and supports young people ages 12-24 to build healthy relationships and create a culture without abuse.
The California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (CALCASA) provides leadership, vision and resources to rape crisis centers, individuals and other entities committed to ending sexual violence.
The project aims to provide technical assistance, resources, and support to address the use/misuse of technology in sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking focused on youth.

Access webinars, podcasts, events, and resources at: [http://www.endtechabuse.org/research/](http://www.endtechabuse.org/research/)
Learning Objectives

• Increase awareness of technology facilitated sexual, dating, domestic violence and stalking cases among youth
• Identify the different types of technical assistance offered by eTAG
• Exchange resources and problem-solving strategies with peer professionals serving youth
• Describe eTAG response resources and materials for youth-serving adults
POLLING: Who is in the room?
POLLING: Does your organization receive funding from the Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women?
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Technology + Dating Violence

Where were you last night?
Why didn’t you call me?
I was up all night waiting.
Don’t do that again, ever!!!
It’s like he stalks me with his texts

#SeeTheSigns
of Domestic Violence
1 in 4 teens is harassed or abused through technology.
Technology + Stalking
STALKING

IN REAL LIFE

ON FACEBOOK

VIEW SARAH'S POOL PARTY ALBUM...

JACKPOT.

CREepy

Socially Acceptable

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Spyware

- Find my iphone
- Location sharing
- Smart Home apps
- Spyware software
Technology + Sexual Violence

- Recorded Sexual Assault
- Non-Consensual Sharing of Intimate Images
  - Sextortion
  - Revenge

Brazos County investigators seeing increase in 'sextortion' cases
At this time, **40 states** and the **District of Columbia** have laws that criminalize the nonconsensual sharing of intimate images, and the number is steadily climbing.
1 in 6 teens with a cell phone have received a sexually suggestive image or video of someone they know.

60% of those who threatened to expose intimate photos of someone, followed through.
Voices All Around
The Voices Around Young People....

What are some of the messages they hear about teens and how they are expected to act/interact with technology/virtual world?
The Voices Around Young People....

What are some of the general messages adults hear about adults & how they are expected to act/interact with technology/virtual world?
Background

“Technology offers more opportunities for abusers and, unfortunately, the misuse of technology poses additional challenges for investigators and prosecutors who may not be familiar with the types of digital evidence that will be needed at trial.”
What we’ve learned from adults..

“Things have changed quite a bit in the world and society has been warming up to the idea that cyberstalking and cyberbullying are as real and as scary as direct, physical threats in person.”

“If harassment is not life or death it takes longer to get evidence from social media sites.”

“Getting everyone trained up to those levels [technology unit] is not a realistic goal.”
“I try to have open honest conversations with a teen to let them know their parents still have a right to know what is going on.”
What we’ve learned from Youth..

“If you don’t share pictures with your partner, you’re boring.”

“There’s nothing a judge can do.”

“My mom would say: you sent the picture - that’s your responsibility now deal with the consequences.”
“We’ve been encouraged to meet campus security who [...] are truly invested in learning to be trauma informed providers to survivors. But most of the survivors we meet have not had much better experiences than we did when they reported. That’s why we are so committed to helping work with law enforcement, campus security and everyone that comes in contact with survivors.”

- Charlie, SafeBAE co-founder
Build capacity of youth-serving adults to...

- Support youth survivors’ autonomy
- Know local laws and their limitations
- Build partnerships and cross-training opportunities with youth-serving adults in other disciplines
- Implement survivor-centered, youth-informed safety planning strategies
- Navigate legal and non-legal remedies to address tech abuse from a trauma-informed care lens
- Prevent tech abuse among youth
eTAG Resources

- Supporting Youth Survivors
- Digital Evidence Collection and Safekeeping Guide
- Non-Consensual Sharing of Intimate Images Guide
- Cyber Safety Plan
- Cyber Abuse Case Studies

Additional Resources:
- Podcast Series
- Title IX & Non-Consensual Sharing Brief
- Literature Review
- Listening Session Analysis
- Resource Referral List
Supporting Youth Survivors

- Recognize that not all survivors experience victimization similarly
- Acknowledge that victims of cyber abuse and non-consensual sharing of intimate images have experienced trauma like other victims of abuse
- Respect survivors’ agency
- Respond to victims in a supportive and transparent manner
- Engage in safety-planning
- Share options
Supporting Youth Survivors

- Take them seriously
- Avoid shaming language
- Offer an advocate early on
- Advise them on evidence preservation
- Self-determination is key
- Help them consider what comes next
- Support youth activist and peer education groups
Legal Vs. Non-Legal Remedies

- Criminal Chargers
- Civil Remedies
  - Suit for Damages
  - Copyright Action
  - Privacy Tort Claims
  - Civil Protection Order
- Takedown Procedures
- Administrative Remedies (at school/work)
  - Title IX

- Not all survivors want to explore legal options
- Mediation*
- Restorative Justice*
  - https://www.nacnj.org/
- Focus on self healing
Digital Evidence & Safe Keeping

- Make your Screenshots count.
- Remember the 4 C's!
  - CONTACT INFO & DATE
  - COMPLETE CONTEXT
  - CONTROL POSTS
  - CONFIDENTIAL STORAGE
Cyber Safety Planning

What is a safety plan?

Things I can do to keep myself safe

My personal resources

Reporting abuse online
Safety Considerations

1. Consider using a safer/new device
2. Trust your instincts
3. Strategically plan around your tech
4. Look for patterns
5. Document the incidents
6. Share documentation with a trusted person
7. Report the incidents
8. Choosing & Using Apps
Increasing Security

1. Change passwords and usernames
2. Check device settings & all of your apps
3. If you get a new device, do not link it to an old iCloud/Google account
4. Protect your location – turn off GPS
5. Consider cameras and audio devices
6. Consider the address confidentiality program
7. Limit giving out your information
8. Check privacy settings on social media
Platform Specific Reporting Sites

- https://www.facebook.com/help/reportlinks
- https://help.instagram.com/527320407282978
- https://help.twitter.com/forms/abusiveuser
- https://www.tumblr.com/abuse
- https://support.google.com/youtube/answer/2802027?hl=en
Types of Technical Assistance Available

- Virtual trainings (webinars)
- Podcasts
- Videos
- Toolkit
- Phone and web-based consultations
- Institutes
- Youth TTA Team
eTAG Youth Advisors

- co-create & facilitate training
- co-create educational videos & other TA resources
- help provide TA responses from youth perspective
- monthly eTAG meetings
- promote the project
Additional Resources

- Cyber Civil Rights Online Removal Guide
- NNEDV Tech Safety Project
- Tech Safety App
- Without My Consent
- Cyber Security Awareness Month
- NCJFCJ Gathering Tech Abuse Evidence for Court
- Stalking Prevention Awareness Resource Center (SPARC)
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