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WestCoast Children's Clinic	Commercial Sexual Exploitation- Identification Tool	Yes	8 key indicators plus 48 guiding questions	Any	Any	Yes	Checklist of indicators	Closed	Minors and young adults	Yes	Yes	No
	Trafficking Victim Identification Tool		75 questions (long form) or 55 questions (short form), some questions are only asked as followup if client answers "yes" to				Structured			Only with significant modifications to questions and to		
Vera Institute of Justice	(TVIT)	Yes	a previous item.	Self-disclosure	Any	No	interview	Mixed	Any	language	Yes	Yes
Loyola University Chicago Center for the Human Rights for Children, International Organization for Adolescents (IOFA)	Rapid Screening Tool (RST) for Child Trafficking	No	12 questions	Self-disclosure	Any	No	Structured interview	Open	Minors	Yes	Yes	Ye
Loyola University Chicago Center for the Human Rights for Children, International Organization for Adolescents (IOFA)	Comprehensive Screening and Safety Tool (CSST) for Child Trafficking	No	33 questions	Self-disclosure	Any	No	Structured interview	Open	Minors	Yes	Yes	Ye
Polaris Project, National Human Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC)	Comprehensive Human Trafficking Assessment Tool	No	142 questions	Self-disclosure	Any	Νο	Unstructured interview (suggested questions)	Open	Not specified	Only with significant modifications to questions and to language	Yes	Ye
Covenant House, NY	Human Trafficking Interview and Assessment Measure (HTIAM-14)	Yes	37 questions	Self-disclosure		No	Structured	Mixed	Minors and young adults	Some items	Yes	Ye
Covenant House	Quick Youth Indicators of Trafficking (QYIT)	Yes	4 questions	Self-disclosure	Homeless Youth Systems	No	Structured interview	Closed	Young adults	No	Yes	Ye
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (also Ohio Human Trafficking Task Force)	Screening Tool for Human Trafficking Victims	No	13 questions	Self-disclosure	Healthcare but flexible for use elsewhere	Νο	Semi- structured interview	Open	Not specified	No	Yes	Ye
Florida Department of Juvenile	Human Trafficking Screening Tool	No	60 questions	Self-disclosure		No	Semi- structured interview	Mixed	Minors	Yes	Yes	Ye
Urban Institute	Human Trafficking Screening Tool (HTST)	Yes	19 questions for regular tool, 6 questions for short tool	Self-disclosure	Child Welfare and Runaway/Hom eless Youth	No	Structured interview	Closed	Minors and young adults	No	Yes	Ye

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0 San Diego State University	San Diego Labor Trafficking Survey	No	106 questions	Self-disclosure	Agricultural Workers	Νο	Semi- structured interview	Mixed	Not specified	No	No	Yes
	Indicators of Labor											
RTI International & San Diego State 1 University	Trafficking Among North Carolina Farm Workers	No	76 questions	Self-disclosure	Agricultural Workers	No	Semi- structured interview	Closed	Not specified	No	No	Yes
2 Polaris Project	Human Trafficking Assessment for Domestic Workers	No	28 questions, preceded by safety check (2-7 questions)	Self-disclosure	Domestic Workers	No	Semi- structured interview	Open	Not specified	No	No	Yes
New Jersey Department of Children 3 and Families	Rapid Human Trafficking Assessment (RHTA)	No	11 questions for either the potential victim or a third-party reporter	Self-disclosure or report by third-party	Any	No	Structured interview	Closed	Minors	Yes	Yes	Yes
State of Florida Department of 4 Children and Families	State of Florida Department of Children and Families Human Trafficking of Children Indicator Tool	No	4 sections of questions to consider	Self-disclosure	Child Welfare	Sort of: guidance of what to do for suspicion of trafficking, but no guide of how to interpret answers/scores to questionnaire	Semi- structured interview	Open	Minors	Yes	Yes	Yes
United States Conference of Catholic Bishops	How to Identify a Human Trafficking Victim	No	7 questions and list of red flags	Self-disclosure and observation	Any	Sort of: guidance of what to do for suspicion of trafficking, but no guide of how to interpret answers/scores to questionnaire	Semi- structured interview and observation	Open	Not specified	No	Yes	Yes
5 Polaris Project	Human Trafficking Assessment Tool for Medical Professionals	No	6 questions and list of red flags	Self-disclosure and observation	Healthcare	Yes	Semi- structured interview	Mixed	Not specified	No	Yes	Yes
	Human Trafficking Screening Tool	No	14 questions for regular screen; 7-8 questions specifically designed for probation or youth services	Self-disclosure	Any	Sort of: guidance of what to do for suspicion of trafficking, but no guide of how to interpret answers/scores to questionnaire	Semi- structured interview	Open	Any	No	Yes	Yes
International Labour Organization	Operational Indicators of Trafficking in Human Beings	No	Checklist of 67 indicators under 6 dimensions of trafficking	Self-disclosure	Any	No	Checklist of indicators	Closed	Separate checklists for adults and children	In child checklist, indicators may be appropriate for minors, but lacks guidance on how to talk to children	Yes	Yes
Indiana Protection for Abused and Trafficked Humans Task Force	Human Trafficking Identification: Screening Tool and Report	No	3 screening questions and 52 follow-up questions (26 to screen for CSE, 26 to screen for	Self-disclosure		No; instructions state that if screening indicates trafficking, potential victim should be referred for a more thorough assessment	Structured interview	Mixed	Not specified	Some items	Yes	Yes

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20	Connecticut Department of Childrer and Families	n Human Trafficking Screening Tool	No	Screening tool has checklist of 57 items, Decision map has checklist of 16 items that determine level of trafficking risk	Self-disclosure and observation	Medical and Behavioral Health Providers	Yes	Checklist of indicators	Closed	Minors	Only with significant modifications to questions and to language	Yes	Yes
21	U.S. Department of State	ldentify and Assist a Trafficking Victim	No	8 questions and list of red flags	Self-disclosure and observation	Any	Sort of: guidance of what to do for suspicion of trafficking, but no guide of how to interpret answers/scores to questionnaire	Unstructured interview	Mixed	Not specified	No	No	Yes
22	National Human Trafficking Training and Technical Assistance Center 2 (INHTTAC)	; Adult Human Trafficking Screening Tool (AHTST)	No	8 questions	Self-disclosure	Any	Yes	Structured	Closed	Adults	No	Yes	Yes
23	8 Nevada Office of Governor	Law Enforcement Screening Tool for Victims of Human Trafficking	No	48 questions	Self-disclosure	Law Enforcement	No	Structured interview	Open	Not specified	No	Yes	Yes
24	Canadian Council for Refugee	National Human Trafficking Assessment Tool	No	Preliminary Assessment: 6 sample questions; Full Assessment: 49 items under 12 conditions	Any	Any	Yes	Unstructured interview followed by checklist of indicators	Mixed	Not specified	Yes	Yes	Yes
	London Safeguarding Children	London Safeguarding Trafficked Children		Risk Assessment: 62 items under 12 indicators; Trafficking Assessment 108 open-				Checklist of indicators for risk assessment, structured interview for full trafficking					
	Board	Toolkit Screening Interview	No	ended questions Pre-interview Assessment Indicators: 9 indicators of trafficking; Screening Interview: Around 22	Any	Any	Yes	assessment Semi- structured	Mixed	Minors	Yes	Yes	Yes
	5 Migration (IOM)	Form Screening Tool for Suspected Victims of	No	questions Adult Screening Checklist: 7 questions; Underage Screening	Self-disclosure	Any	No No; instructions state that if screening indicates trafficking, potential victim should be referred for a more thorough	interview	Open	Not specified	No Only with significant modifications to questions and to	Yes	Yes
27	7 Gennessee County	Human Trafficking	No	Checklist: 9 questions	Self-disclosure	Healthcare	assessment	interview	Closed	Not specified	language	Yes	Yes
28	The Advocates for Human Rights	Self-Assessment Card	No	5 questions	Self-disclosure	Any	Yes	Self-interview	Closed	Not specified	No	No	Yes

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0 WestCoast Children's Clinic	Commercial Sexual Exploitation- Identification Tool	Development of the CSE-IT addressed shortcomings of other tools; meets key criteria for multisystem prospective screening tool, including reasonable length; relies on all sources of information; does not rely on self-disclosure; is not domain specific and can be used across systems; provides a guide to action; is closed-ended; avoids a structured interview; is appropriate for minors. Is validated using qualitative and statistical evidence.	The CSE-IT is an open domain tool for use in service delivery systems that serve children and youth. The copyright is held by WestCoast Children's Clinic to ensure that it remains free to use. For permission to use or for information, please contact Danna Basson at dbasson@westcoastcc.org.	Validation: https: //www.westcoastcc.org/wp- content/uploads/2015/04/WCC-CSE-IT- PilotReport-FINALpdf Implementation Guide: https://www.westcoastcc.org/wp- content/uploads/2017/09/WCC-CSE-IT- ImplementationGuide-FINAL.pdf
			Weiner and Hala, Oct 2008, Measuring Human Trafficking: Lessons from NYC	
1 Vera Institute of Justice	Trafficking Victim Identification Tool (TVIT)	Addresses transnational trafficking/smuggling; authors note the tool is not as effective with minor victims of sex trafficking as it is with other populations; some items irrelevant and wording not appropriate for minors.	Simich, Goyen, Powell, & Mallozzi (2014). Improving Human Trafficking Victim Identification - Validation and Dissemination of a Screening Tool. Vera Institute of Justice.	https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grai s/246712.pdf
Loyola University Chicago Center for the Human Rights for Children, International Organization for 2 Adolescents (IOFA)	Rapid Screening Tool (RST) for Child Trafficking	Tool is missing key indicators; no definitions or explanations offered for items; some wording is too general to be useful (e.g. child appears to be bought or sold).	Walts et al, 2011, Building the Child Welfare Response to Trafficking	https://www.luc.edu/media/lucedu/chr pdfs/BCWRHandbook2011.pdf
Loyola University Chicago Center for the Human Rights for Children, International Organization for 3 Adolescents (IOFA)	Comprehensive Screening and Safety Tool (CSST) for Child Trafficking	Requires knowledge or suspicion of exploitation, so not useful for identification; unrealistic indicators, e.g. victim refers to self as "slave"; assumes victim identifies as such and is seeking help.	Walts et al, 2011, Building the Child Welfare Response to Trafficking	https://www.luc.edu/media/lucedu/chr pdfs/BCWRHandbook2011.pdf
	Comprehensive	Needs to be tailored to the program where it is implemented; many items with		http://www.traffickingresourcecenter.o
Polaris Project, National Human 4 Trafficking Resource Center (NHTRC)	Human Trafficking Assessment Tool	inappropriate language (e.g. "commercial sex act"), many invasive questions are irrelevant for screening purposes; assumes victim is seeking help.	None	/resources/comprehensive-human- trafficking-assessment-tool
5 Covenant House, NY	Human Trafficking Interview and Assessment Measure (HTIAM-14)	Unlike other interviews noted above, question wording is largely nonjudgmental; questions can be read verbatim with mature youth, especially youth seeking help. A few items and wording issues do not pertain to minors.	Bigelson & Vuotto (2013). Homelessness, Survival Sex and Human Trafficking: As Experienced by the Youth of Covenant House New York. Covenant House	http://www.covenanthouse.org/sites/d ault/files/attachments/Covenant-House trafficking-study.pdf
6 Covenant House	Quick Youth Indicators of Trafficking (QYIT)	Very short (four yes/no questions). Specific to young adults (ages 18-26). Due to directness of questions, shortness of survey, and reliance on self-disclosure, use of QYIT may require more time to develop trusting client-provider relationship. Also suggests follow-up assessment using more comprehensive tool (TVIT or HTIAM-14) if youth screens positive on QYIT.	Chisolm-Straker, Sze, Einbond, White, & Stoklosa (2019). Screening for Human Trafficking Among Homeless Yaung Adults. Covenant House	https://www.sciencedirect.com/science, rticle/pii/S0190740918307540
U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (also Ohio Human 7 Trafficking Task Force)	Screening Tool for Human Trafficking Victims	Wording is in many instances inappropriate. Very general, open-ended questions.	Screening Tool for Victims of Human Trafficking. The US Department of Health and Human Services.	http://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/fil s/orr/screening_questions_to_assess_w ether_a_person_is_a_trafficking_victim_ 0.pdf
Florida Department of Juvenile 8 Justice	Human Trafficking Screening Tool	A strength of this tool is that it groups items into domains, which facilitates information integration and identification of a potential problem. Challenges include: relies on self-disclosure; some items are irrelevant yet missing other key indicators; some items do not match the domain (e.g. the Unsafe Living Environment domain does contain questions that address unsafe living environment).		http://www.dij.state.fl.us/docs/jiis- instructional-powerpointsdios/humar trafficking-screening-tool.pdf
9 Urban Institute	Human Trafficking Screening Tool (HTST)	The authors of the HTST note the tool is no more accurate than random chance for youth under 18 and for child welfare settings. Also convergent validity not established.	Dank, Yahner, Yu, Vasquez-Noriega, Gelatt, & Pergamit (2017). Pretesting a Human Trafficking Screening Tool in the Child Welfare and Runaway and Homeless Youth Systems. Urban Institute	https://www.urban.org/sites/default/fi s/publication/93596/pretesting_tool_1. df

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10 5	San Diego State University	San Diego Labor Trafficking Survey	Distinguishes between "trafficking violations" and "abusive practices" in the agricultural work setting. Spanish translation adapted to survey Mexican migrants. Achieved face validity. No statistical validity tests performed. More of a research survey than a screening tool.	Zhang, S. X. (2012). Trofficking of Migrant Laborers in San Diego County: Looking for a Hidden Population. San Diego, CA: San Diego State University.	https://www.ncjrs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grant s/240223.pdf
	RTI International & San Diego State University	Indicators of Labor Trafficking Among North Carolina Farm Workers	Adapted from the San Diego Labor Trafficking Survey (# 10). More of a research survey than a screening tool.	Barrick, K. L., Lattimore, P. K., Pitts, W., & Zhang, S. X. (2013). Indicators of labor trafficking among North Carolina migrant farmworkers. Research Triangle Park, NC: RTI International.	https://www.ncirs.gov/pdffiles1/nij/grant s/244204.pdf
12 F	Polaris Project	Human Trafficking Assessment for Domestic Workers	Good questions within seven indicator domains. However, no guide to scoring. Assessment based on narrative and provider's subjective impression.	None	https://humantraffickinghotline.org/sites /default/files/Assessment%20Tool%20for %20Domestic%20Workers.pdf
	New Jersey Department of Children and Families	Rapid Human Trafficking Assessment (RHTA)	Checklist of indicators in yes/no format. Very short, missing some key indicators. No room for ambiguity. No guide on how to score.	None	https://www.state.nj.us/dcf/policy manu als/CPP-X-A-1-9.3 issuance.shtml
S	State of Florida Department of Children and Families	State of Florida Department of Children and Families Human Trafficking of Children Indicator Tool	Guide for Florida Child Welfare providers on what to look for/what to ask for suspicion of child trafficking. No specific questions, but rather suggestions of the types of questions to ask and what to look for in the child's answers. No scoring, but guidance on what provider should do in case they suspect trafficking is occurring.		https://humantraffickinghotline.org/sites /default/files/HumanTraffickingOfChildre nIndicatoTool%20%20FU%20DCF.pdf
	United States Conference of Catholic Bishops	How to Identify a Human Trafficking Victim	Very basic. Gives definition of CSE in red flags section, but no questions specific to sex.	None	http://www.usccb.org/about/anti- trafficking-program/identifying-trafficking victims.cfm
16 F	Polaris Project	Human Trafficking Assessment Tool for Medical Professionals	Short, clear guideliness for how to screen patient and easy-to-follow decision tree. However, interview questions are structured, direct, not trauma-informed. Also, list of indicators/questions incomplete. Points to Polaris Generic Trafficking Assessment for more complete list. The assessment asks open-ended questions, is long, does not provide a guide to action.	None	https://www.traffickingresourcecenter.or g/sites/defauit/files/Assessment%20Tool %20-%20Medical%20Professionals.pdf
17 (Ohio Human Trafficking Task Force	Human Trafficking Screening Tool	Based on questions from U.S. Health & Human Services Screening Tool for Human Trafficking Victims (#7).	None	https://humantrafficking.ohio.gov/links/S creening-Tool.pdf
	International Labour Organization (LO)	Operational Indicators of Trafficking in Human Beings	Difficult to use — indicators are actual abuses of trafficking, rather than observable indicators or symptoms. No guide for how questions should be asked or information obtained. Includes a scoring guide.	None	https://www.ilo.org/wcmsp5/groups/pub lic/ed_norm/ declaration/documents/publication/wcm s_105023.pdf
	Indiana Protection for Abused and Trafficked Humans Task Force	Human Trafficking Identification: Screening Tool and Report	Separate screening questions for labor- and sex-trafficking. Instructions include extended note that suggests a trauma-informed response, but the screening questions themselves are direct and may not be trauma-informed.	None	https://www.ismanet.org/pdf/news/Hum anTraffickingScreeningTool.pdf

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20	Connecticut Department of Children and Families	Human Trafficking Screening Tool	Language and intake protocol acknowledges trauma, but does not seem to be trauma- informed. Very medicalized. Though the child is responsibility of Dept of Children & Families, much of the evaluation conducted at hospital. Screening tool developed for nurses. Screening tool has no clear scoring rubric, but there is a separate decision map that gives more clear direction on how providers should respond.	None	https://portal.ct.gov/- /media/dcf/HumanTrafficking/Reports/H umanTraffickingPGCopypdf.pdf?la=en
21	U.S. Department of State	ldentify and Assist a Trafficking Victim	Very general guide of trafficking indicators and questions to ask, but not a specific tool that can be used for screening.	None	https://www.state.gov/identify-and- assist-a-trafficking-victim/
22		Adult Human Trafficking Screening Tool (AHTST)	Guide for tool is more trauma-informed than most. "The AHTST is designed to be short, easily administered with minimal training, and designed so that you can integrate questions into conversations while simultaneously building rapport or listening for information." Scoring: "If the client/patient answered YES to any of the questions, this may indicate a risk for current, former, or future trafficking."	None	https://www.acf.hhs.gov/sites/default/fil es/otip/adult_human_trafficking_screeni ng_tool_and_guide.pdf
23		Law Enforcement Screening Tool for Victims of Human Trafficking	Users advised to take trauma-informed training prior to using tool, and toolkit includes information about providing a trauma-informed response, but tool itself <u>is not</u> trauma- informed. Also, no scoring criteria or guide to interpret tool results.	None	http://ag.nv.gov/uploadedFiles/agnvgov/ Content/Human Trafficking/AG HT Scre ening_Tool_Final2.pdf
24		National Human Trafficking Assessment Tool	Begins with initial assessment of open-ended questions (not clear if requires self- disclosure). If this leads to suspicion of trafficking, then fill out checklist of indicators. This checklist is in a yes/no format. Instructions specify that the checklist should <u>not</u> be asked to client directly and should be filled out after client leaves (similar to CSE-IT). Seems trauma-informed. One critique of indicators: they seem very black/white. That is, they reflect the more direct but often hidden features of trafficking, but they do not necessarily cover the more subtle signs that are more visible to provider.	None	https://ccrweb.ca/en/national-human- trafficking-assessment-tool
	London Safeguarding Children	London Safeguarding Trafficked Children Toolkit	For Risk Assessment: Checklist similar to CSE-IT: Yes, Suspected, or No (no box is checked). Items are similar to CSE-IT items; that is, not direct examples of exploitation, but observable symptoms. However, no clear scoring guide. There are also decision flowcharts that are confusing. For full Trafficking Assessment: huge list of open-ended questions with about 10	None	https://www.justice.gov.il/En/Units/Traff icking/MainDocs/Jondon_safeguarding_tr afficked_children_toolkit_january_19th_ 2009.pdf
	International Organization for	Screening Interview Form	sections. Very long and extremely complicated. This is a screening tool developed in the international context, meaning its definition of trafficking is more dependent on the UN Protocol definition. Makes a point to distinguish between "trafficking" and "smugging" of people. Screening consists of two stages: assessment on indicators of trafficking, followed by direct interview. No scoring rules or guide to action. Tool includes explanations for how indicators are related to trafficking, but no rubric to make final decision. Tool not entirely trauma-informed.	None	https://www.unodc.org/documents/hum an-trafficking/Toolkit-files/08- 58296_tool_6-6.pdf
27		Screening Tool for Suspected Victims of Human Trafficking	Two very short screening tools, one for adults and one for children. Questions increase in intensity/specificity as interview progresses. Tool instructions note that a positive answer to two or more questions is considered a positive screen for human trafficking.	None	https://nebula.wsimg.com/4353c386d6b d891ae8f003e9f0ef9133?AccessKeyId=EF1 96C3EA62459BB5B9B&disposition=0&all oworigin=1
28	The Advocates for Human Rights	Self-Assessment Card	Very short, very direct. Could be useful for a really quick screen, provided that the victim is willing to answer questions and self-disclose. However, may be too short to cover important indicators.	None	http://www.theadvocatesforhumanrights .org/uploads/guide for self- assesment_card.pdf