"Table Topic Discussion"

Table Moderator/Facilitator:

Your main task is to keep those at your table engaged in the conversation and redirect them in identifying whether or not someone maybe sexually exploited and/or trafficked and how to help the one victimized with the information that they have. The ultimate goal is to recognize that they may not have enough information and that it takes a team effort.

Pass out the information to those that are at the table. There will be 8 seats at the table including the moderator.

Before beginning discussion, state:

The information that is given is a fictitious scenario.

"Georgie":

- Have everyone read their character information. After the scenario information is read, ask these question:
 - With only the information that each of you have been given, would you identify "Anna" as being exploited and/or trafficked? (have each person reply)
 - With only the information that you were given, what could each person have done differently? (have each person reply)
 - Are there any vulnerabilities or indicators of the youth that could be identified with the information that you have? (this can be a group discussion)
 - In what ways or how can others that have the information/knowledge of a situation work together or get others involved? (this will be a group discussion)
 - What would be some services that "Anna" and "Sally" could be offered?
 What would you do?
- When discussion has ended, please, collect all case scenarios back and leave at the table

"Georgie's" Mother:

Georgie and their mother moved to the area a little over 2 years ago. Georgie usually has been out going and very talkative.

One day as Georgie, who is 14yo, came into the living room and was on a phone. When asked where they got the phone from; Georgie stated their friend, gave them an old one. Georgie seems to be spending more time in their room and has been asking to stay their friend's house more frequently. Their grades have fallen at school and mom thinks maybe it's because the father doesn't seem to make his visitations as much as he used to; especially since they live a little farther away. She knows this, as Georgie made a comment that, "He just doesn't care anymore."

Mr. Anderson, Teacher:

At the beginning of the school year Georgie's grades were in the A's & B's and Georgie came to class a little early to do some extra credit or to see if Mr. Anderson needs anything done. They always have been very well dressed and groomed.

Within the last couple of months, Mr. Anderson has noticed that Georgie was not completing homework or handing it in very late, if at all. Their grades have dropped to a C- and almost a D. Georgie also appears to be more tired than usual. They also have been asking for bathroom passes more frequently and then not returning to class.

Mr. Anderson consults with the school counselor and Georgie agrees to meet with her.

Ms Beam, School Counselor:

Georgie has stopped in at Ms. Beam's office a few times since attending school. They have expressed a disconnect from the family, mainly the father as he doesn't keep his visitations or call as much as he used to, stating that "He is too busy" or comes up with another excuse for not being in contact.

The last time Georgie was the counselor's office, she noticed that Georgie had a new phone and was messaging prior to them talking. Georgie stated that the mom had gotten a new one for them and mom was sending a message about where they were supposed to be picked up after school. Mom was working later than usual so she was sending a friend to bring her home. Ms. Beam asked Georgie to put it away so they could focus on their session together.

After school that day, Ms. Beam observed Georgie get into a car with someone who appeared to be in their late 20's to early 30's.

Ms. Cruse, Nurse:

Georgie has stopped at the clinic on a few occasions within the last year. This time when they came in, they tested positive for a STI (STD) in which Georgie was given medication and treated. Ms. Cruse, the nurse, went through some STI (STD) education with Georgie and let them know to follow up in a few weeks after medication was taken.

As Georgie left, Ms.Cruse came out to the front desk to let the next client know that she was ready to see them. As she looked out into the lobby, she noticed Georgie go with someone who appeared to be in their late 20's to early 30's.

Friend of Georgie:

Georgie's friend lives 2 blocks away from them and when Georgie moved to the area, they were happy to have someone their own age actually live relatively close by. Georgie's friend made an effort to reach out to Georgie, being a new student at school as they know what that is like to move to a new area as they had to do this a few years before.

They used to do pretty much everything together, including staying at each other's house frequently. Within the last few months, Georgie does not seem to want to go to the games at school, hang at the mall or even have a sleep over. Georgie's friend has noticed that Georgie is also spending more time on a new phone; talking and messaging their older friend. When asked about the phone, Georgie stated that their mom purchased it, as theirs was getting to be outdated.

While having a conversation in the chat room, they asked Georgie to spend the weekend with them. Georgie stated that they didn't want to go alone and asks if their friend could come with. They stated that would be perfect! Georgie convinces their friend to go stating that this would be an adventure, what harm could it be and no one needs to know their business as long as they are together. When everyone is sleeping, they sneak out.

They both were located 7 days later in another city and were placed on a "hold". Georgie has told their friend that they had better not tell anyone about where they were and who they were with. Georgie's friend is conflicted with what to do as they never "asked" for this.

Deputy Evans, Law Enforcement:

Deputy Evans was on patrol and parked his car into a parking lot to observe traffic. A car went by that had a tail light out so Deputy Evans proceeded to make a traffic stop on the vehicle. As Deputy Evans approached the vehicle, after running the plates, the driver in their late 20's to 30's, had their license and registration available. Deputy Evans noticed 2 youth in the back seat that appeared to be sleeping and when asked about them, the driver stated that they were bringing a niece and friend to meet their father for his visitation for the weekend as the mother could not make the exchange today.

Safe Harbor Regional Navigator:

The Safe Harbor Regional Navigator received a phone call from Deputy Evans. Deputy Evans stated that he had 2 youth on a "hold" who were from the navigator's service area and gave them the information that he could. Deputy Evan's stated that the youth were refusing to talk about specific information and in fact, were providing none. Deputy Evans also stated that he had communication with the parents of the youth and they were enroute to pick them up.

The Safe Harbor Regional Navigator after obtaining the information, contacted a Safe Harbor Grantee Direct Service provider in the area in which to respond to law enforcement. After arriving at the law enforcement center, the direct service provider was able to speak with the youth separately, providing them with food and clothing as they hadn't eaten for a while or changed clothes. Upon exiting the rooms where the youth were, Deputy Evans wanted to now what information the direct service provider had obtained. The direct service provider stated that the youth were safe now and tomorrow was another day while waiting for the parent's to arrive.