

The Need to Protect the Sexual Innocence of Children in Youth-Serving Organizations

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This program is designed to educate the public on child sexual abuse prevention. It is for informational purposes only and is not meant to replace intervention or the advice of a licensed professional.

Learning Objectives

1. Learn why schools have such a high prevalence of child sexual abuse
2. Learn how child molesters think and what they need, in order to abuse and get away with it

The Problem

Child molesters need access in order to abuse and what better way to gain it than to work for or volunteer at a school?

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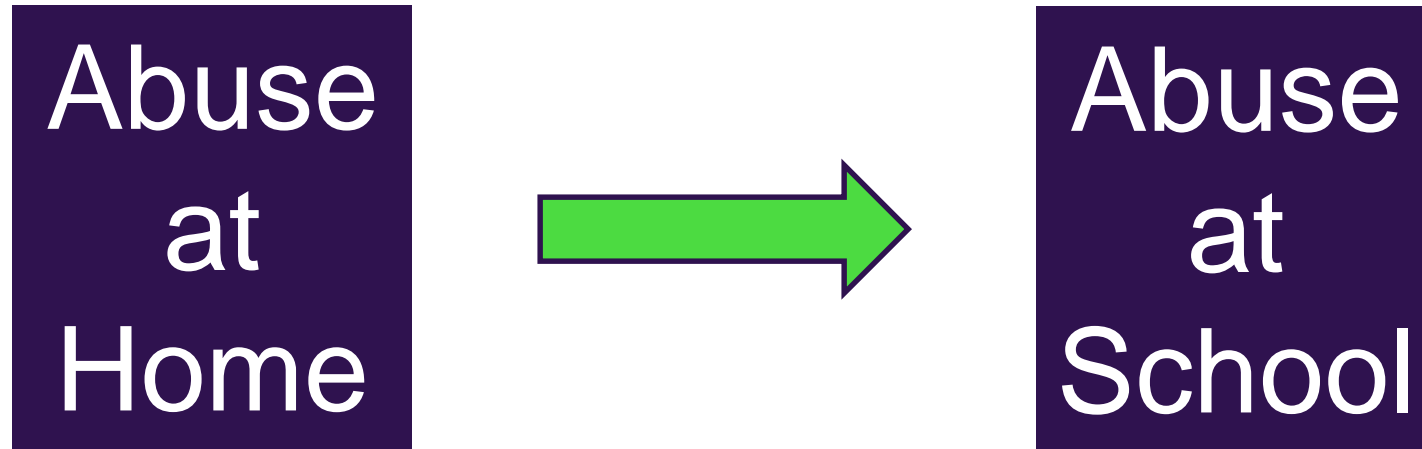
- Research shows that nearly 10% of students surveyed say they were sexually abused at school – that is almost 4.5 million U.S. students.
- Another study found that only 11% of educators say they would report a colleague who they thought was sexually abusing a child.
- Kenneth Lanning and Parker Dietz even refer to youth-serving organizations as a “well populated hunting ground.”

Why are Schools a Magnet?

- **Child molesters can:**
 - Gain repeated access to children
 - Exploit inherent opportunities for isolation
 - Stand behind a reputable organization and role
 - Rely on denial and lack of knowledge
 - Call on a culture of trust to deflect suspicions
 - Depend on collegial and organizational loyalty
 - Count on fear and discomfort to create silence

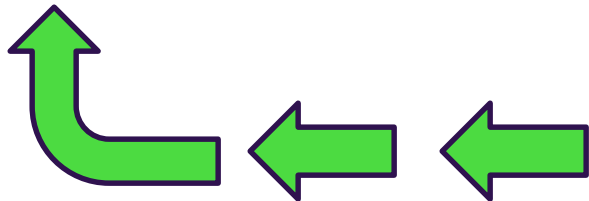
Our Silence Enables Child Molesters

Shift our Focus



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Seduction
Process

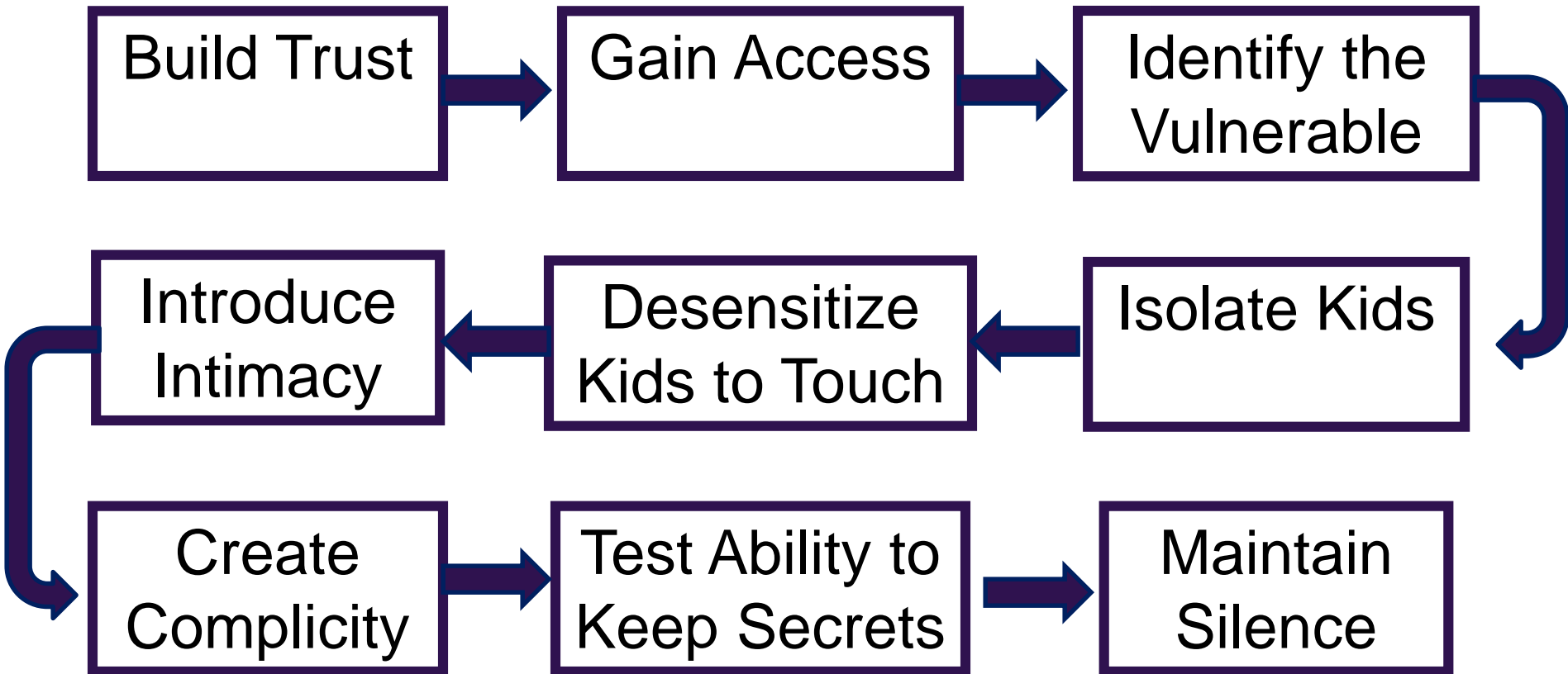


Back in Time

Breaking the Law

Molestation
Rape
Sodomy
Oral Copulation

The Thoughts of a Child Molester



Think Like a Child Molester

In our case, the drug of choice is
children
and child molesters will not tolerate
working with people
who cannot deliver victims.

Child Sexual Abuse is Predictable and Preventable

**When we surround children with
knowledgeable and outspoken adults.
We ALL play a part in the solution!**

Child Sexual Abuse Prevention Best Practices

- #1 Determine Your Starting Point
- #2 Manage Access to Children
- #3 Set, Document, and Enforce Boundaries
- #4 Regularly and Actively Assess Behaviors
- #5 Create an Accountability Team
- #6 Educate and Empower Children
- #7 Pre-Establish Your Response & Take Bold Action
- #8 Provide Support and Resource Referrals

We're looking forward
to equipping and
empowering you
to transform your
schools into a safer
place for children



Thank You
for joining us in the fight to protect
the future of our children!

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