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Recovering from child sexual exploitation can be a challenging road, and it can often feel like you are navigating it alone. NCMEC is here to help. Having worked with communities of survivors, NCMEC knows that feelings of isolation, fear, and worry can make seeking resources a difficult process. There is an army of professionals at NCMEC and other organizations who may be able to help you. We want you to know that your needs matter and this page was created so you can take action.

Download NCMEC's Resources for Child Sexual Exploitation Survivorsand Their Families PDF in English and Spanish.

If you want to make a report of child sexual exploitation, you can use NCMECs <u>CyberTipline</u>. Specially trained analysts will process that report and make it available to the appropriate law enforcement agency.

When a child is the victim of sexual exploitation it is difficult for the whole family. NCMEC is here to help with the recovery process. Masters-level trained advocates offer crisis intervention to families as well as resources and suggestions to help them rebuild and reconnect.

Additionally, NCMECs peer support network, **Team HOPE**, can provide support, empowerment, and resources to families of missing or exploited children from people who have experienced a similar trauma. If youd like to connect with someone for emotional support, contact gethelp@ncmec.orgor 1-877-446-2632 ext. 6117.

Are your images online? Need help getting them down? NCMEC works closely with technology industry partners to help reduce child sexual abuse material that circulates on the internet and stop the harassing online comments being posted as a result of this material. We can also share resources, guidance, and tools to help you remove child sexual exploitation photos and videos from the internet. Learn how to report the images to the company directly or make a report to NCMECs CyberTipline.

NCMEC can help you locate and connect to specially trained mental health professionals who work with families and survivors through our Family Advocacy Outreach Network. FAON is international in scope and provides therapeutic services within local communities. For help locating a therapist, contact gethelp@ncmec.org or 1-877-446-2632 ext. 6117.

A child whose sexually exploitative photos or videos are shared online has a legal right to seek monetary restitution from all offenders who create, share, or possess these images/videos. Because the process to seek monetary restitution is complex and often confusing, it may be helpful for you to have an attorney when you navigate the legal system. NCMEC can talk you through these legal issues and help you find an attorney who will work on your behalf. For more information, contact gethelp@ncmec.orgor 1-877-446-2632 ext. 6117.

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