Keeping Safe
Modern Slavery Explained

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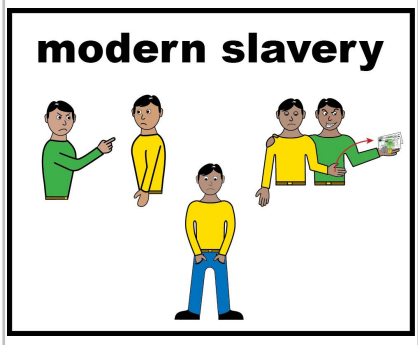

Modern slavery is when you are forced to live or work in a certain place and you have no choice.

Modern Slavery is a crime, where people are tricked into doing things. This is called exploitation and the people are called victims and are treated badly by a person or gang.

A victim of Modern Slavery may be physically hurt or be made to feel worthless. Victims are treated as if they can be bought and sold. They do not have any freedom or choice to make decisions about their lives.

Modern Slavery is abuse. Abuse can hurt people and make them feel sad because someone does or says things that frighten them. Abuse is wrong.

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What you may see if a person is a victim of Modern Slavery

A victim of Modern Slavery usually travels with someone else. The person they are with may not seem right, like an older man with a teenager, who is claiming to be their boyfriend.

A victim of Modern Slavery may live in horrible conditions which may be dirty, overcrowded or they may live and work in the same place.
They may wear the same clothes every day looking hungry or scared.

A victim of Modern Slavery may have their rights to make decisions about where they go, or what they want taken away from them. They may not be allowed to have a passport, a travel card or bank card.

Victims of Modern Slavery might not want to get help. They may not want to look at you, or be frightened to talk to strangers or people like the Police or Doctors.

Modern Slavery is abuse and it is wrong, so if you think you have seen it please tell the Safeguarding Team about it.

If you think someone is in real danger of being a victim of modern slavery call the Police on 999 or for non-emergency 101.
Or you can call the Modern Slavery helpline on 08000 121 700

If you're worried about someone you know, who might be a victim of abuse, please call the Safeguarding Adults Team on the numbers over the page.

Contact us

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Email

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Phone

01482 396940 or 01377 241273 (out of hours)

Website

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Getting more information

For more details about the work of the East Riding Safeguarding Adults Board please visit our website www.ersab.gov.uk You will find information about other types of abuse and neglect and how to tell someone about it, to make it stop.

Keeping Adults Safe from Harm