

Detection of human trafficking in clinical settings

Population	Human trafficking victims
Intervention/Exposure	Physician-led detection of human trafficking in clinics and emergency departments (including training, etc.)
Comparator	No physician-led detection
Outcomes	Healthcare costs; provider experiences; detection rates

Interview Details:

Why did you choose this topic and why is it important to you?

- Canada had [2,977 police-reported incidents of trafficking from 2010-2020](#). The vast majority (96%) of detected victims of human trafficking were women and girls. In all, one in four (25%) victims were under the age of 18.
- Some of these victims will come into contact with a healthcare provider while being trafficked.
- Trafficking is an issue that affects many aspects of health.

What do you hope to learn from researching this topic?

- Explore tangible, trauma-informed tools that can help physicians interact with victims/survivors, detect human trafficking and intervene.
- Possibility of a code attached to human trafficking.

Who needs to know about the findings?

- Physicians (e.g., emergency room personnel)
- Engage with local stakeholders, professionals, victims and survivors.

Is there anything that you feel a panel of patients, caregivers, healthcare providers, and policy-makers should keep in mind when reviewing this topic?

- Not applicable

Feasibility Assessment Results

Summary:

No reviews were identified during the scoping literature search.

Conclusion:

There is scope to conduct further research in this area.