



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Dear Federal Colleagues:

I am writing to bring your attention to a government-wide requirement related to the [National Human Trafficking Hotline](#) (Hotline), a program partially funded by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). The confidential, multilingual Hotline is available for victims, survivors, and witnesses of human trafficking through phone, text, and online chat. Hotline staff provide immediate safety planning for people in crisis, field tips regarding suspected trafficking, and help survivors understand their options for support without judgment.

[Human trafficking](#) affects the health and safety of individuals, families, and communities. Human traffickers exploit men, women, and children through forced labor and commercial sexual exploitation in legitimate and illicit markets. Cases have been reported in urban, rural, and suburban areas from all 50 states and U.S. territories.

Since 2007, the Hotline has:

- Responded to more than 368,000 calls, including calls from more than 27,000 potential victims
- Identified more than 47,000 cases of potential human trafficking across the United States
- Provided more than 15,000 tips to federal, state, and local law enforcement

On December 21, 2018, the [Abolish Human Trafficking Act of 2017](#) added new measures to strengthen the National Human Trafficking Hotline, including a requirement to post the phone number of the National Human Trafficking Hotline in a visible place in all Federal buildings (22 U.S.C. § 7105(b)(1)(B)(ii)).

To assist your agency in fulfilling this requirement, the HHS Administration for Children and Families Office on Trafficking in Persons and its partners created a poster that you may print and display in a visible place in your building.

Please direct questions to EndTrafficking@acf.hhs.gov. Thank you for your cooperation.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Lynn A. Johnson".

Lynn A. Johnson
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A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Alex M. Azar II".

Alex M. Azar II
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U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Enclosures: NHTH poster (8.5 x 11"); NHTH poster (11 x 17")