
NATIONAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE SEX TRAFFICKING OF CHILDREN AND YOUTH IN THE UNITED STATES

September 10, 2020

The Honorable Chuck Grassley
Chairman, Committee on Finance
United States Senate
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Richard Neal
Chairman, Committee on Ways and Means
United States House of Representatives
1102 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Ron Wyden
Ranking Member, Committee on Finance
United States Senate
219 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Kevin Brady
Ranking Member, Committee on Ways and Means
United States House of Representatives
1102 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chairman Grassley, Chairman Neal, Ranking Member Wyden, and Ranking Member Brady:

The National Advisory Committee on the Sex Trafficking of Children and Youth in the United States (the Committee) was established on January 18, 2017, pursuant to Section 121 of the Preventing Sex Trafficking and Strengthening Families Act of 2014 (P.L. 113-183). The Committee advises the Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) and the Attorney General on practical and general policies to improve the Nation's response to the sex trafficking of children and youth in the United States.

In accordance with the requirements under P.L. 113-183, enclosed is the Committee's interim report, which contains recommendations and supporting resources and examples that states may consult as they work to improve their response to the sex trafficking of children and youth within their jurisdictions. The report includes recommendations in the following areas:

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| 1. Multidisciplinary Response | 7. Judiciary |
| 2. Screening and Identification | 8. Demand Reduction |
| 3. Child Welfare | 9. Prevention |
| 4. Service Provision | 10. Legislation and Regulation |
| 5. Housing | 11. Research and Data |
| 6. Law Enforcement and Prosecution | 12. Funding and Sustainability |

For each recommendation, states will self-assess the extent to which they have worked to address the sex trafficking of children and youth by choosing the tier that best describes their work in coming months:

- Tier I provides initial steps for states that have not yet substantively addressed the sex trafficking of children and youth.
- Tier II provides examples of practices and policies for states already working to address the sex trafficking of children and youth.

After states provide their self-assessments to the Committee, the Committee will publish a final report describing the efforts of each state to implement their recommendations.

The report and records of public proceedings of the National Advisory Committee is available at <https://www.acf.hhs.gov/otip/partnerships/the-national-advisory-committee>. Our next public meeting is on [Thursday, September 17, 2020](#).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Glen Ujifusa".

Glen (JR) Ujifusa
Chairperson

National Advisory Committee on the Sex Trafficking of Children and Youth in the United States

Enclosure

CC: Secretary Alex M. Azar II
Attorney General William P. Barr
Lynn Johnson, Assistant Secretary for Children and Families
Stacie B. Harris, Associate Deputy Attorney General
Katherine Chon, Designated Federal Officer of the Committee