

# Support to End Exploitation Now SEEN Coalition

Children's Advocacy Center of  
Suffolk County  
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## SEEN News & Announcements

*SEEN is pleased to announce the following:*

*Megan Pulvermacher, of the Children's Advocacy Center of Suffolk County, has joined SEEN as the new Case Coordinator.*

*Sergeant Detective Donna Gavin, joins SEEN as the Commander of the Boston Police Human Trafficking Unit.*

*The My Life My Choice Project, is now a program of JRI (Justice Resource Institute).*

*Megan, Sgt. Det. Gavin and My Life My Choice are looking forward to working with SEEN partners to continue providing a comprehensive support and service network to victims of exploitation.*

## **How To Make a SEEN Referral**

**The steps to respond to a concern of exploitation are the same for both mandated reporters and concerned individuals.**

1. File a report (51A) of suspected child abuse with the Department of Children and Families (DCF). Whenever possible, alert the SEEN Case Coordinator that you have made this report.
2. DCF will make a discretionary DA referral which will be sent to the Case Coordinator.
3. The SEEN Case Coordinator will call you shortly after the referral has been made.

## **What Happens Next?**

## **THIS WEEK:**

**SEEN Advisory Group Meeting Thursday, September 17 2:00 - 4:00 pm**

[See additional details below](#)

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**"Transforming Communities to Prevent Child Sexual Abuse and Exploitation: A Primary Prevention Approach"**

[read full report](#)

**NEW CONTACT INFO**

4. The Case Coordinator will schedule a conference call or a Multi-Disciplinary Team meeting.

5. The call and/or meeting will result in "action steps" in the following areas: shelter, support, mental health care, medical care, criminal investigation of the alleged perpetrator, and perpetrator lethality.

6. The Case Coordinator will facilitate on-going communication among the Team, primarily by email. Team members are encouraged to send case updates to the Case Coordinator who will update other members.

For more information please read the [Step-by-Step Responding to Exploited Youth Guide](#) for complete details [HERE](#)

## **SEEN Advisory Meeting September 17, 2009 2:00-4:00 989 Commonwealth Ave, Boston MA**

**Presenter: Stephanie Halter, PhD. Plymouth State University,  
Department of Criminal Justice**

**"Factors that Influence Police Conceptualization  
of Youth Involved in Prostitution in Six U.S. Cities: Child Sexual  
Exploitation Victims or Delinquents?"**

**Registration NOT Required**

### ***The SEEN Case Coordinator:***

- **Serves as the primary contact for referrals of the Child Exploitation Multidisciplinary Response Team;**
- **Responds to all referrals - regardless of youth's physical/legal custody status;**
- **Facilitates the Team's process - helps the Team organize, sequence, and prioritize activities and service provision;**
- **Coordinates scheduling of and participates in Team interviews with victims;**
- **Serves as a liaison for Team members - collects and provides case-related information; and**
- **Conducts outreach and provides information and**

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**BPD Human Trafficking:**  
Sgt. Det. Donna Gavin  
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### **National News**

**Rhode Island: "Law  
Makes it Pimp's  
Paradise" [read](#)**

**"Criminal Networks  
Prey on Teen  
Prostitutes" [story](#)**

**Rhode Island: "Minors in  
R.I. Can Be Strippers"  
[more](#)**

### **International News**

**Australia: "Virgins  
Wanted for the Casting  
Couch"  
[full story](#)**

**Mexico: "Mexican  
Traffickers Victimize  
10,000 Women Every  
Year" [article](#)**

consultation to partner agencies.



**CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER**  
*of suffolk county*

The Support to End Exploitation Now (SEEN) is a groundbreaking partnership among more than 35 public and private agencies who believe that only genuine collaboration can yield positive outcomes for exploited youth. SEEN operates on a community-wide response model that is built upon mutual understanding and trust, and the belief that youth empowerment and offender accountability are not mutually exclusive.

For More Information on SEEN [click here](#)