KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

Safe Sport

Children’s Exposure to Predators

• Children 10 -17 years old
• 1 in 4 had an unwanted to sexually explicit pictures
• Approximately 1 in 5 received a sexual solicitation or approach
• 1 in 13 was threatened or harassed
• 1 in 24 received an aggressive sexual solicitations
1. Abuser data based upon victim information submitted to NCMEC by law enforcement, as of December 31, 2006.
2. “Online Enticement” includes either (1) victims who met a perpetrator online and transmitted self-produced images or (2) victims and offenders who met online and then met offline, producing images.
3. “Unknown to Child” includes un-established relationships, i.e. photographers, child sex tourism, runaways, etc.
4. “Self-produced” includes those victims who have produced and distributed images of themselves.

Keeping Children Safe

Children Need three things to function
1. Shelter
2. Food
3. Love
Who are the victims?

- Early to middle teens
- Boys rarely report victimization
- Girls often “in love” with offender
- Often from dysfunctional families
- Discovering or wondering about their own sexuality
- Usually has unsupervised access to the computer
- Children who display sheltered or risky behavior
Predators

- Look for children who are home alone
- Look for children with only one parent
- Look for children with both parents absent
- Look for children who have low self esteem
- Look for children they can buy off
- Look for children who want to learn about physical relationships

He/She so easy to talk to…

- Listens
- Agrees
- Establishes trust
- Preys on self-esteem issues
- Plays role of trusted friend
- Plays role of a teacher
  - Remember sometimes puberty causes confusion
Discussion Groups with Children

QUESTIONS