

## 8.2 Matching activity – child sexual abuse

### Learning objective:

Develop an understanding of key terms related to child sexual abuse

### Time:

10 minutes

### Required resources:

- Print out of statements
- A wall with enough space to place the statements
- Tape

### Facilitators guide

- Print and cut out the statements
- Have the statements in the blue boxes stuck on the wall
- Have the statements in yellow and red boxes distributed to participants. The red box items are those that are incorrect
- Note whilst this colour scheme is used to guide you in the distribution and categorisation of the text boxes, participants should not be aware of the colour differences. It is best to print in black and white.
- Ask participants to decide which of the headings (in blue) on the wall they think the statement they are holding goes with
- Tell them there are some statements that are false and may not go with any of the items on the wall

### Participant discussions:

Match your statements to the categories on the wall

- A child is...
- Adolescence is...
- Child sex abuse is...
- Gender based violence is...
- Sexual exploitation is...

### Discussion:

- Ask participants to read out their statements in the clusters against the five wall statements
- Ask some to explain and share why they put themselves where they did
- Kindly identify any participants who are misplaced and explain why, have them move to the correct location

### Key messages

- Definition of a child - any person under 18 years old

- Definition of an adolescent - any person between 10-19 years old, adolescence is a continuum of development in a person's physical, cognitive, behavioral and psychosocial spheres
- Child sexual abuse - any form of threatened, attempted or actual sexual activity with a child by an adult or by another child who has more power. It is possible for a child to be sexually abused by another child. A survivor can be girl or boy.

### Statements

A child is...

Any person under the age of 18

Any person under the age of 14

Adolescence is....

The period following the onset of puberty during which a young person develops from a child into an adult

Describes young people in stage of development between beginning of puberty & adulthood

A period of rapid physical & mental development with significant hormonal changes. Children's roles in society change significantly

A period of time between the ages of 10 – 13 when a child starts to enter puberty

A period in child's development when changes slow down as they approach adulthood

Child sex abuse is....

... the involvement of a child in sexual activity that he or she does not fully comprehend, is unable to give informed consent to, or for which the child is not developmentally prepared and cannot give consent, or that violates the laws or social taboos of society

... the inducement or coercion of a child to engage in any unlawful sexual activity

Is the exploitative use of a child in prostitution or other unlawful sexual practices

Is the exploitative use of children in pornographic performances and materials

Is any form of sexual activity with a child by an adult or by another child who has power over the child

... can include sexual kissing, touching, and oral, anal or vaginal sex with a child.

... showing a child private / sexual body parts ("flashing")

Forcing a child to witness rape and/or other acts of sexual violence, forcing children to watch pornography or show their private / sexual parts

... exploiting children as prostitutes or for pornography

Sexual abuse requires penetration, force, pain or even touching.

Inappropriate sexual language addressed at a child, or showing of sexual images is not classed as sexual abuse

Does not include anal penetration of objects

Does not include unwanted touching unless it is around the private / sexual parts of the body

Gender based violence is...

An umbrella term for any harmful act that is perpetrated against a person's will; it is based on socially ascribed (gender) differences between males and females.

It includes range of human rights violations, including sexual abuse of children, rape, domestic violence, sexual assault and harassment, trafficking of women and girls

It includes several harmful traditional practices, including forced or early marriage, female genital mutilation, honour killing and widow inheritance

It does not include forced sexual relations with someone you are married to, as consenting to marriage means you consent to all sexual acts

Does not include inappropriate touching of sexual parts on a boys body

Something that cannot happen to a man or boy

Sexual Exploitation is...

...any actual or attempted abuse of a position of vulnerability, differential power or trust for sexual purposes.

...includes profiting monetarily, or socially or politically from the sexual exploitation of another

... does not include profiting politically from the sexual exploitation of another

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