



## **What Emergency Managers Need to Know about Human Trafficking**

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**Presentation Abstract:** Human Trafficking and the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children is hidden in plain sight in every neighborhood, city, state and country. This session will provide you with the flags, identifying information, proper responding and trauma informed care tools. This training is survivor led and centered to help those responding increase their knowledge base and tool kits when working with survivors.

**Speaker Bio:** Alicia holds a Master's in International Psychology and is pursuing her PhD. in Forensic Psychology Crisis Management. She has extensive work within the following: trauma, co-morbidity of depression, anxiety, trauma among female rape victims, and commercial sexual exploitation of children (CSEC). She is currently an aspiring author with a survivor guide series to be released Fall 2023. As a survivor leader and advocate, her passion for these anti-human trafficking efforts, has led her to collaborate with education systems, medical providers, clinicians, law enforcement and first responders along with community involvement for mentoring, education/training, and spreading awareness. In 2019, Florida's Attorney General, Ashley Moody, recognized Alicia as Survivor of the Year for her efforts on building capacity for CSEC awareness & education. From victim to survivor and advocate to professional Alicia currently serves as

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