



## The Eradicating Child Sexual Abuse (ECSA) Project

ECSA is an international knowledge exchange project funded by The Oak Foundation and created and run by the Lucy Faithfull Foundation. It aims to engage with practitioners from across the globe about activities and interventions to prevent child sexual abuse.

### Lucy Faithfull Foundation

The Lucy Faithfull Foundation (<https://www.lucyfaithfull.org.uk/>) is a UK based child protection charity which was founded in 1992 and focusses on the prevention of child sexual abuse. We believe that child sexual abuse is preventable and that we can have a society where children are free from the harm caused by sexual abuse and exploitation. We work with perpetrators, with victims and with their families after abuse has happened. We also work with parents, children and organisations to prevent abuse, both online and offline. We host the Stop It Now! UK & Ireland Helpline (<https://www.stopitnow.org.uk/>), the largest child sexual abuse prevention helpline in the world. We are based in the UK but undertake work in many countries around the world.

### The ECSA website and toolkit

The ECSA website can help with nations, regions, municipalities, NGOs, and state agencies with the design and implementation of a child sexual abuse prevention strategy. It guides users through the stages of collecting information, gathering community support, deciding on priorities, designing and implementing interventions and evaluating outcomes. The resulting prevention strategy is tailored to local issues, cultural context and to community strengths.

The website provides brief, accessible insights into the nature of child sexual abuse as well as the people and processes involved when abuse occurs. It uses a public health model of prevention to demonstrate the range of primary, secondary and tertiary prevention possibilities targeting:-

- perpetrators (and potential perpetrators)

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- children and young people,
- parents and other protective adults
- situations and places (e.g. online harm; interfamilial abuse; abuse within child facing organisations or in community settings)

The toolkit is made up of more than 200 interventions from around the world. From simple books for parents to read to their children, to complex, manualised, psychological interventions for perpetrators, victims or their families. Each is described in a 2-4 page standardised template for users to browse, with references and contact details for users to follow-up.

### **Working in partnership**

Only by working in partnership can we help prevent child sexual abuse across the world.

ECSA can offer:

- webinars for practitioners outlining how the ECSA methodology has been used by organisations around the world;
- arrangements allowing translation and adaptation of our prevention materials (including leaflets and website content);
- advice and consultation in the use of the ECSA methodology to help organisations and multi-agency partnerships to develop strategic approaches to child sexual abuse prevention and evaluate impact;
- training in various aspects of safeguarding and child protection; and
- safeguarding audits of child facing organisations

It does not issue grants or other funding to organisations or individuals.

Training and audit activity may attract costs which can be discussed with individual organisations.

We would welcome discussions around partnership funding bids that would allow us to share our technical expertise around service development and interventions. This could also include on-site training and service delivery.

### **Ways you can help ECSA**

ECSA is built on the hope and expectation that others will share their good practice with us, which we can then share around the world.

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You can help ECSA by:

- sharing information with us about any interventions that you have developed in relation to child sexual abuse prevention;
- sharing information about child sexual abuse prevention interventions that you know of that are not already on the ECSA website;
- sharing knowledge and experience you have about strategic approaches to child sexual abuse prevention that you have developed locally;
- providing us with feedback in relation to any aspect of the ECSA website; and
- following us on social media @ECSA2020 and improving our reach to practitioners and service users local to you

Please contact Willie Manson, Project Manager at [ecsa@lucyfaithfull.org](mailto:ecsa@lucyfaithfull.org) or by phone on +44 (0)131 5563535

Or through our contact page on <https://ecsa.lucyfaithfull.org>

We are happy to discuss your needs and would be delighted to work with you towards our common goal of eradicating child sexual abuse

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