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Exploring an issue at the heart of the effective prevention of child sexual abuse perpetration

Achieving scale is non-negotiable



Child sexual abuse is preventable.

And yet it remains a huge – but solvable – global problem.

So, how can we tackle such a big and complex problem?

A deep understanding of risk for perpetration provides the best chance of preventing abuse before it happens.

We need to assess the best ways to prevent abuse, at scale. And we need to act with speed.

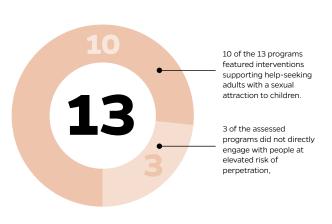
A deep dive into scaling perpetration prevention

We partnered with scalability experts MSI to assess 13 programs that aim to prevent child sexual abuse perpetration.

These programs are in schools, in clinics, or online.

They target children or adults.

They include educator-led sessions, self-help sessions, and/or therapist-supported sessions.



Ten of the 13 programs featured interventions supporting help-seeking adults with a sexual attraction to children. Most of these programs included interventions to help people control their behaviors, to prevent child sexual abuse or viewing child sexual abuse material (CSAM).



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What we have found



Recommendation 1: Conduct more research on the effectiveness of the most scalable perpetration prevention models.



Recommendation 2: Investigate the potential of scaling youth-focused interventions in different jurisdictions.



Recommendation 3: Conduct a review of similar interventions to identify good practice models for scaling.



Recommendation 4: Researchers, implementers, and funders should prioritize 🗹 🗹 🗹 advocacy efforts to treat child sexual abuse as a preventable public health issue, to increase acceptance of perpetration prevention as part of the solution, and to reduce stigmatization of help-seeking.



Recommendation 5: Identify programmatic ways to promote help-seeking and mitigate the impact of stigmatization on help-seeking for those at risk of perpetration.



Recommendation 6: The population of individuals at risk of child sexual abuse and child sexual abuse material perpetration is heterogeneous, so funders and implementers will need to make value-based judgements about their scaling priorities.



Recommendation 7: The perpetration prevention community should engage the private sector, where feasible, to support its objectives.

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