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Wiskind for respond for pikinini sexual assault

Responding to disclosures of child sexual assault

E hard for anyone for talk about sexual assault. For ol pikinini ol nor sabe wiskind for prapa explain what be happen, e hard for thempla. The offenders e make sure the pikinini e nor gor spik anything. Some them reasons might be ya below:

- Ol feel e thempla fault ol be get sexually assaulted
- Ol feel guilty about how thempla body be respond for them no good actions (even though ol nor gud control over it)
- Ol think no one e gor believe thempla
- The offender might be spik them that if ol spik something, family blo thempla gor break up or the offender might go to gao!
- The offender e might be someone the pikinini have a mina good relationship with. Ol might depend on thempla for something, or make thempla feel "special"
- Ol nor wande cause trouble for thempla or the offender. Ol nor wander growl for start

If ol pikinini blo you me spik something along the line of sexual assault, mepla must listen. E might be the first step for thempla reporting it, and the first time mepla can find out and meke something for make sure e nor happen again. E gud all kind measure for put in place for protect pikinini blo you me. E can be meke ol protective strategies, getting appropriate support services or report to the right authority.

If ol pikinini spik something for you, try remember for meke the following:

LISTEN: make sure youpla listen for wanem ol have to spik. Make sure youpla think bout sense blo age blo the pikinini. Try for ask ol question and understand what be happen for thempla. Make sure you look for thempla, eye to eye so you can encourage thempla for tok.

AFFIRM: make sure you spik for the pikinini "I believe you"

DON'T BLAME: make sure you spik for the pikinini, "e nor fault blo you"

SUPPORT: make sure you spik for the pikinini em nor responsible for the assault, and acknowledge thempla that e would have been hard for thempla for spik you or anyone

SAFETY: make sure you let the pikinini sabe you gor meke everything in your power for help thempla

DOCUMENT: make sure you write everything down. Make sure you use them words blo the pikinini. Make sure you also describe wiskind ol be behave too when ol be spik you. Also anything ol be spik about any assault

CHECK: make sure you check wiskind you have to report themkind something through your workplace policies on reporting disclosures

ACT: make sure you think bout and act for the best interest for the pikinini. Report the disclosure to State statutory child protection authority blo you or the Police.

Try nor for mekem.....

- meke ol promise you cant keep. For example, promise thempla ol nor gor look the offender again
- ask plenty ol question for the pikinini, where you might mekem hard for thempla for tok and explain everything prapa. Just let thempla tok and encourage thempla lel bet.
- Nor gor and talk about this disclosure for everyone. Think bout safety blo the pikinini.



TIPS

- When you tok for the pikinini, use general language for get more informtion. For example, "try tok lel bet more about what be happen"
- You have to spik the pikinini that you gor have to tell someone else so ol can mekem straight for keep em safe. Ol might gor be upset, but because ol be disclose it for you, you have to act now to keep em safe.

Mepla must always think bout any emotional distress them pikinini must be going through too. Always make sure mepla tok for them pikinini prapa in a caring and sensitive manner. Listen for thempla and spik thempla you gor do everything you can to keep thempla safe.