Resources for Families and Caretakers

Resource	Contact Information
National Center for Missing and Exploited Children offers information about recognizing signs in children who have been sexually exploited, and advice for parents on keeping their children safe from sexual abuse.	www.missingkids.com
Childhelp USA provides crisis counseling to adult survivors and child victims of abuse, offenders, and parents.	www.childhelpusa.ogr or e-mail: help@childhelpusa.org
The National AD Council provides a directory to common online phrases.	www.missingkids.com/ adcouncil/lingo.html
Stop It Now! has a six-step "Family Safety Plan" to help families identify their support network and create an environment to keep children safe from sexual abuse. Developmentally appropriate sexual behavior in children is described. The website describes warning signs for adults who may suspect a child has been sexually abused, and also lists signs to watch for in other adults who may be abusing children.	http://www.stopitnow.org Stop It Now! has a help- line available (1-888-PREVENT) for individuals and families to call for support and access to resources in a confidential setting.
Iowa Internet Crimes Agains Children Taskforce offers several valuable links for parents on internet and cyber safety.	www.iowaicac.org

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For more information on sexual violence go to:

www.icyd.org

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