WHAT IS INTIMATE IMAGE **ABUSE?**

Intimate image abuse, commonly known as 'revenge porn', is the act of sharing or threating to share intimate images and videos without consent and with the intention of causing distress.

WHAT DOES THE LAW SAY?

In April 2015, the Criminal Justice and Courts Act made to family and friends or image based abuse illegal. The offence is punishable by up to 2 years in prison. Since the law came into force, it is estimated there have been over 400 convictions.

WHO ARE THE VICTIMS?

Anyone can be a victim of intimate image abuse, regardless of gender, sexuality or age. Overall, the intention is to cause embarrassment, harassment and shame and the effects can be devastating for victims, especially on their mental health.

WHO ARE THE PERPETRATORS?

This crime can be committed by anyone, often the person responsible is an aggrieved former partner, but NOT always. The victim does not have to be in a

relationship with the perpetrator for it to be considered intimate image abuse. It can be anyone who shares content without consent.

WHERE IS IT SHARED?

We see most content shared on social media platforms or general porn websites. In some cases links to the content are emailed or sent employers. Some cases have stemmed from hacked devices or cloud storage.

HOW CAN THE REVENGE PORN HELPLINE HELP?

We are the UK's only service dedicated to supporting all adults who have fallen victim to intimate image abuse. We provide free, nonjudgemental and confidential advice and support via phone and email. We can help with removal of content (while not guaranteed, we have an excellent take down record) and help with approaching the authorities.

HOW CAN MY ORGANISATION HELP?

Display the accompanying poster on notice boards within your organisation in a prominent location where it

can be seen by clients, patients, service users, staff or adult students. Signpost victims to our helpline and tell them that help is available to them.

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE?

Visit our website,

revengepornhelpline.org.uk for information on intimate image abuse, legislation and news from the Revenge Porn Helpline.

YOUR **SUPPORT MEANS WE CAN HELP MORE VICTIMS OF** INTIMATE **IMAGE** ABUSE. **BECAUSE NO ONE SHOULD SUFFER IN** SILENCE.

Calls cost the same as a standard landline starting '01' or '02'. If your phone tariff offers inclusive calls to landlines, calls to 0345 numbers will also be included.

0345 6000 4 revengepornhelpline.org.uk help@revengepornhelpline.org.uk







Have you had your intimate images shared online without your consent?

0345 6000 459*

revengepornhelpline.org.uk help@revengepornhelpline.org.uk

It is illegal in the UK for someone to share your intimate images or videos without your consent.

If someone has shared or is threatening to share your intimate content, we can help. Contact us.

Confidential Advice

Non-judgemental advice and support on a 1 to 1 basis from a specialist helpline practitioner.

Removal of Content

While we cannot guarantee removal of intimate content shared online, we hold an excellent take down record.

Reporting to Police

Advice on approaching the authorities. We can also put you in touch with free legal advice.

DON'T SUFFER IN SILENCE

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