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The Ever-Increasing Online Sexual Offending Epidemic

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This presentation will address how online sexual offending, particularly against minors, is increasing in scale, complexity, and severity. An overview of the kinds of sexual content– and experiences–that are available online and how persons access them will also be provided. Areas of focus will include the emergence of anonymous network technologies (“Darknets”), such as The Onion Router (Tor), and group-offending. We will discuss implications for treatment providers.