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Sibling Sexual Abuse: Joining Together for Hope & Healing

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Sibling sexual abuse is a reality. For families, these cases often have heightened emotions and struggles. Sibling sexual abuse cases present several challenges for professionals. The need for collaboration between those working with the youth who engaged in the sexually abusive behavior and those working with the child who was sexually abused is well-recognized. Translating that into practice involves understanding each other's perspective and requires effort. This training brings together a professional from each of these perspectives. Together they examine the questions and challenges commonly associated with sibling sexual abuse and explore separation, reconciliation and the reunification process.

Learning Goals:

- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to identify stressors parents experience when sibling abuse occurs.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to identify three core considerations in reunification.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to collaborate with other treatment professionals involved in the case.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to develop a plan that encompasses safety as well as approach goals for the family
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to facilitate contact between the child who was abused and the youth who engaged in the abusive behavior.
- Upon completion of this educational activity, learners should be better able to understand the perspective of the treatment provider for the child who was abused and the perspective of the treatment provider.

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