

Pornography and profiling: Exploring the sexual offender

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Sexual offenders frequently utilize pornographic material. Interestingly, the role of pornography is often overlooked, if not ignored, when assessing the potential for violent crime and when treating the sexual offender. Pornographic material reinforces violent behavior and psychopathic types of thinking. Law enforcement and treatment personnel need to understand the critical role pornography plays for the sexual offender. This workshop will explore the impact of pornography on the violent offender and will include an examination of actual pornographic material.

OUTLINE

- Examine the role of pornography in physical abuse and sexual offenses
- Examine how reviewing the offender's pornography stash assists in profiling and criminal analysis
- Examine examples of pornographic pictures that help to demonstrate the powerful impact pornography has on reinforcing abuse and sexual offense patterns of thinking and behavior.

Biography

Mr. Johnson is a Licensed Psychologist in the State of Minnesota and a Diplomate of the American College of Forensic Examiners International in Forensic Psychology. He has over 26 years experience providing clinical and forensic assessment, treatment, consultation, and expert testimony. He is an adjunct professor at Edison State College, Barry University, and Florida Gulf Coast University in the Social Science departments. He also provides forensic consultation and training nationally to law enforcement, probation, and mental health professionals related to dealing with sexual offenders and physical abusers. The training provided to law enforcement is specifically related to the investigation of sex related and abuse related crimes, profiling, and interrogation/interview strategies.

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