

Unpacking Pornography: Support for Educators

Pornography is an important topic for educators and parents/carers to discuss with young people because of the potential effect it can have on their relationships and sexual health^{1,2}.

Pornography has existed for centuries and may be accidentally or intentionally accessed by young people. New forms of technology and connection including mobile phones have increased the volume and accessibility of pornography^{3,4}.

This 2-hour workshop responds to the needs of South Australian educators who have voiced their need to engage in this conversation with students. The workshop provides an opportunity for school-based educators to learn more about the topic of pornography and how they may address it within their classroom and school community.

During this workshop you will:

- develop a greater understanding of the impacts of pornography on young people
- learn more about why pornography may be a child safety and public health issue⁵
- unpack two new SHINE SA lesson plans that address the topic of pornography with young people - suitable for students in Year 6 and up
- gain confidence and strategies to respond to and talk to young people about the topic of pornography
- explore relevant resources
- have the opportunity to ask questions about this topic area
- connect with fellow educators.

This workshop is only available to educators who have completed a SHINE SA 2-day Teaching It Like It Is - Relationships & Sexual Health Education Course.

Please enrol as soon as possible as each workshop only caters up to 12 educators.

¹ Parenting SA 2020, Talking sex with young people- parent easy guide, Parenting SA, State Government of South Australia.

² Relationships Australia 2019, February 2018: Exposure of young people to pornography, Relationships Australia, viewed 5 March 2020.

³ Quadara, A, El-Murr, A & Latham, J 2017, The effects of pornography on children and young people: an evidence scan research report, Australian Government Australian Institute of Family Studies, viewed 5 March 2020.

⁴ Grant, J 2017, 'Pornography is everyone's business', blog post, Australian Government eSafety Commissioner, 31 July, viewed 5 March 2020, <www.esafety.gov.au/about-us/blog/pornography-everyones-business>.

⁵ Australian Human Rights Commission 2016, Inquiry into harm being done to Australian children through access to pornography on the internet, Australian Human Rights Commission.

COURSE DATES:

- **29 March**
- **28 June**

COST: **\$40** *Cost includes GST*

WHERE: SHINE SA, 64c Woodville Road, Woodville

TIME: 4:00pm – 6:00pm

Registration www.shinesa.org.au/courses

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