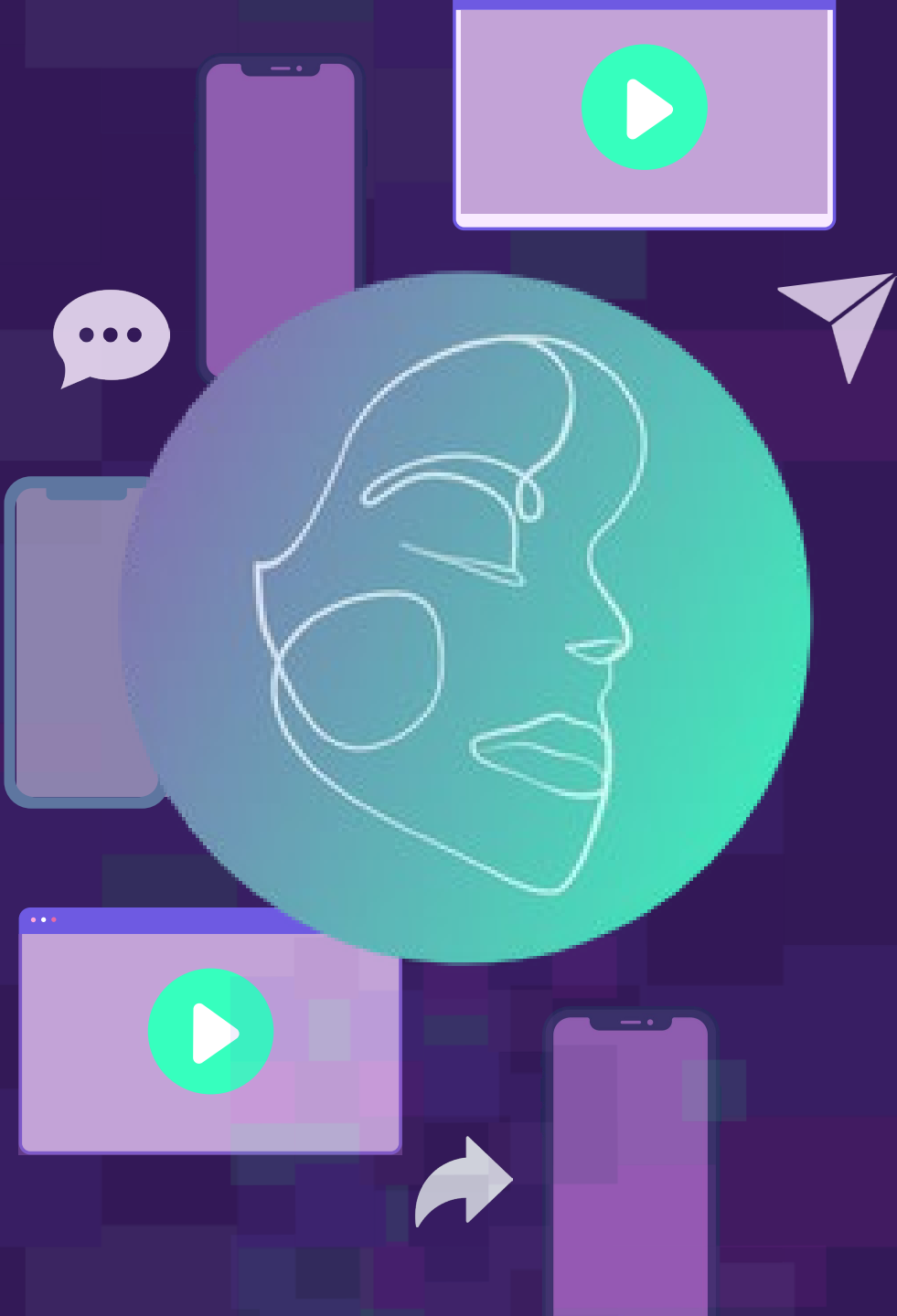




LEARNING NETWORK VIRTUAL FORUM

Not Yours to Distribute! Intimate Images and Consent

Thursday, Feb 9 | 1:00 to 3:30 pm ET



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**Strategies to Support Survivors of
Image-Based Sexual Violence**

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More than a Shelter: Supporting Survivors of Image Based Sexual Violence



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ABOUT US

Women's Shelters Canada

Provides leadership for collaboration and knowledge exchange among shelters and transition houses across the country.

Tech Safety Canada

Equip shelter and transition house workers with the knowledge and resources they need to support women, children, and gender-diverse people with their experiences of Technology-Facilitated Gender-Based Violence (TFGBV)



Technology-facilitated gender-based violence

PERPETRATOR ————— **VICTIM/SURVIVOR**

Motivation

- Revenge
- Jealousy
- Political agenda
- Anger
- Ideological agenda
- Sexual desire
- Monetary need/desire
- Maintain social status

Intent

- Psychological harm
- Physical harm
- Instrumental
- Norm enforcement

Behaviors

- Stalking
- Defamation
- Bullying
- Sexual harassment
- Exploitation
- Hate speech


Relationship
Personal
Impersonal
Institutional

Impact

- Physical
- Psychological
- Social
- Economic
- Functional

Help-seeking & coping

- Reporting
- Support services
- Social support
- Changing technology use
- Avoidance

Frequency

- No. of offenses
- No. of modes
- No. of behaviors
- Timeframe

Mode

- Social networking sites
- Dating sites
- Communication technology
- Entertainment sites
- Personal online accounts

Cross-cutting tactics

- Doxing
- Hacking
- Threatening
- Image-based abusing
- Gendertrolling
- Using fake accounts

CONTEXT: SOCIAL, GENDER, CULTURAL, LEGAL, POLITICAL, RELIGIOUS, TECHNOLOGICAL

WHAT IS TECH-FACILITATED GENDER -BASED VIOLENCE?



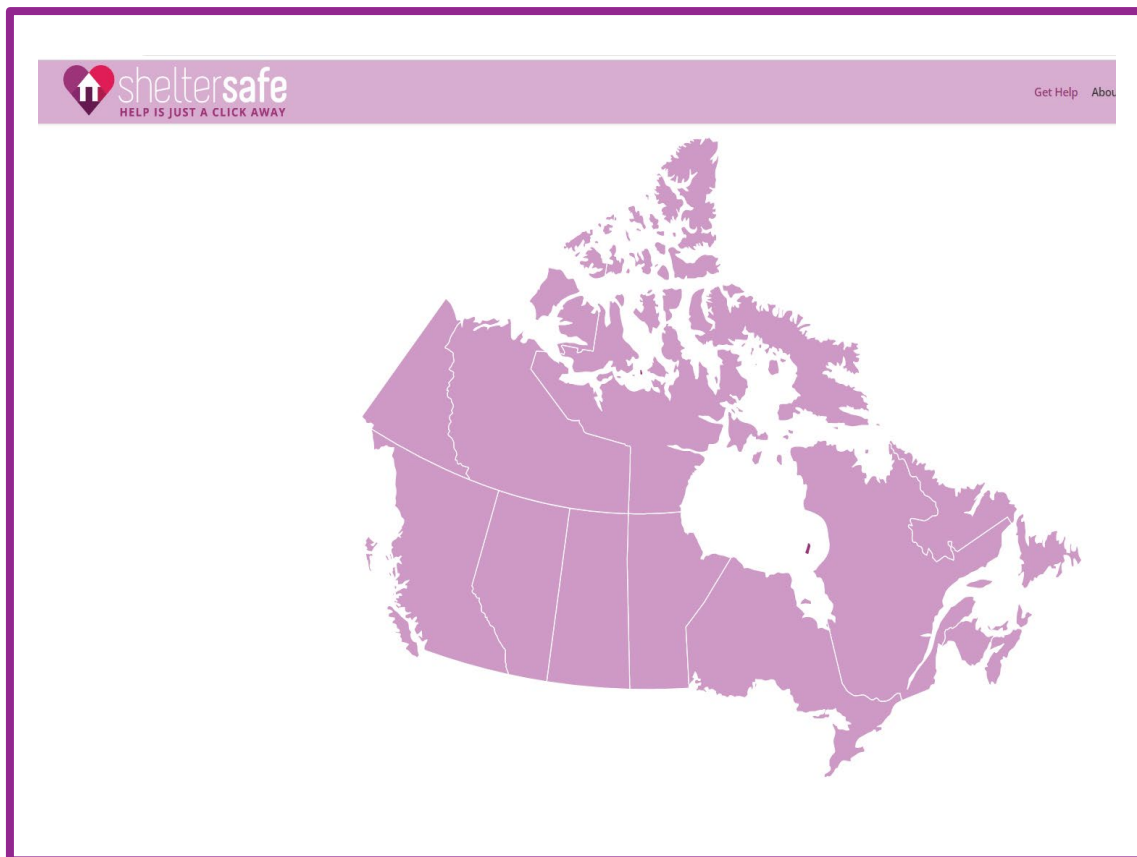
IMAGED BASED ABUSE & DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Abusers share or threaten to share intimate images of women to manipulate, punish, or control.

Posts of intimate images sometimes include identifying information to create risk of further abuse, stalking, and harassment by other perpetrators.

Image Based Abuse can quickly move offline into other forms of sexual, physical, financial, and emotional abuse.

WOMEN'S SHELTERS AND TRANSITION HOUSES CAN HELP



- More than a Shelter
- You don't need to stay in a shelter to receive support
- www.sheltersafe.ca

CREATE A TECH SAFETY PLAN:



Safety

Of survivors (and their children) are the priority.

Educate

Give survivors tools and strategies so they can manage their risk and safety.

Empower

Give survivors back some control and choice.



CONSIDER ISSUES TO SAFETY

Will violence
escalate if:

Images are
removed

He knows law
enforcement is
involved

Power and
Control limited

DOCUMENT WHAT'S HAPPENING



Capture the URL

Identify the website

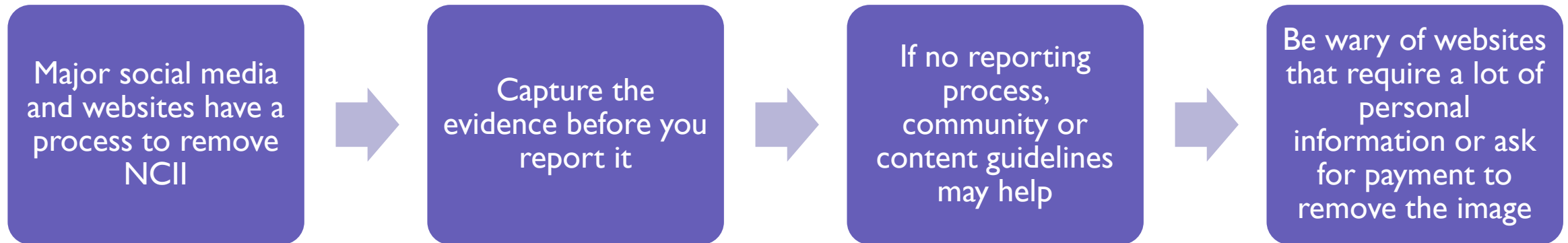
Include the name of
the poster and
profile info

Date/time the image
was posted and the
date the evidence
was collected

Any other related
harassment, such as
emails or texts

Any statements the
abuser made about
posting the
intimate image

REPORT TO THE WEBSITE/SOCIAL MEDIA



REMOVE IMAGES FROM SEARCH ENGINES

Submit a request to Google or Bing to remove the URL links with your image from search results.

If the image has been shared without consent and over the age of 18, see stopncii.org for help.

REFER TO LEGAL ADVICE

- Know your rights
- Non-Consensual Distribution of Intimate Images is illegal in Canada
- Check out WSC's Preserving Digital Evidence and Legal Remedies Toolkit at www.techsafetycanada.ca

REPORT THE ABUSE

Report to the police.

If the person is threatening to share content on Facebook or Instagram and you're hoping to prevent that visit [StopNCII.org](https://stopncii.org) for support.

TECH SAFETY TIPS

Limit identifying information or images (face, tattoos) in the content that is sent



Neutral backgrounds



Send via encrypted messages or through an app that allows you to delete it after it's sent



Make it clear you do not want your image shared

INCREASING PRIVACY AND REDUCING RISK OF HARM

- If your photos and videos are automatically uploaded to an online cloud service, check that accounts are secure.
- Apple and Google Safety Check to See "Who" is connected to your device.
- Review the privacy settings of your social media accounts, so you know who sees what you share.
- Put passcodes on your devices.
- Consider creating a Google Alert for your name so that if anything is posted online with your name, you will get an alert.

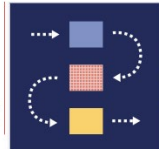
COMING SOON

Toolkits



Tech Safety and Privacy

Includes safety tips, general information, and strategies to use technology safely and increase privacy, as well as tips on securing devices and using specific platforms and



Tech Safety Planning

Includes safety planning information to strategically use technology in ways that can enhance safety and take back



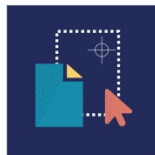
Teen Digital Dating Violence

If you're a teen or young adult, this guide helps you identify whether digital dating violence is happening to you



Legal Remedies

Helps you better understand the legal causes of action available in response to various



Preserving Digital Evidence

Helps you preserve digital evidence in circumstances involving TFGBV.

Shelter and Transition House Worker Training

Tech Safety Canada is providing free training for violence against women shelter and transition house workers across Canada. This training on technology-facilitated gender-based violence will include ways to support service users through safety planning, preservation of digital evidence, and legal remedies. Additional presentations by tech companies and tech experts will be offered.

Training dates will be added as they are confirmed.

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RESOURCES

www.techsafetycanada.ca

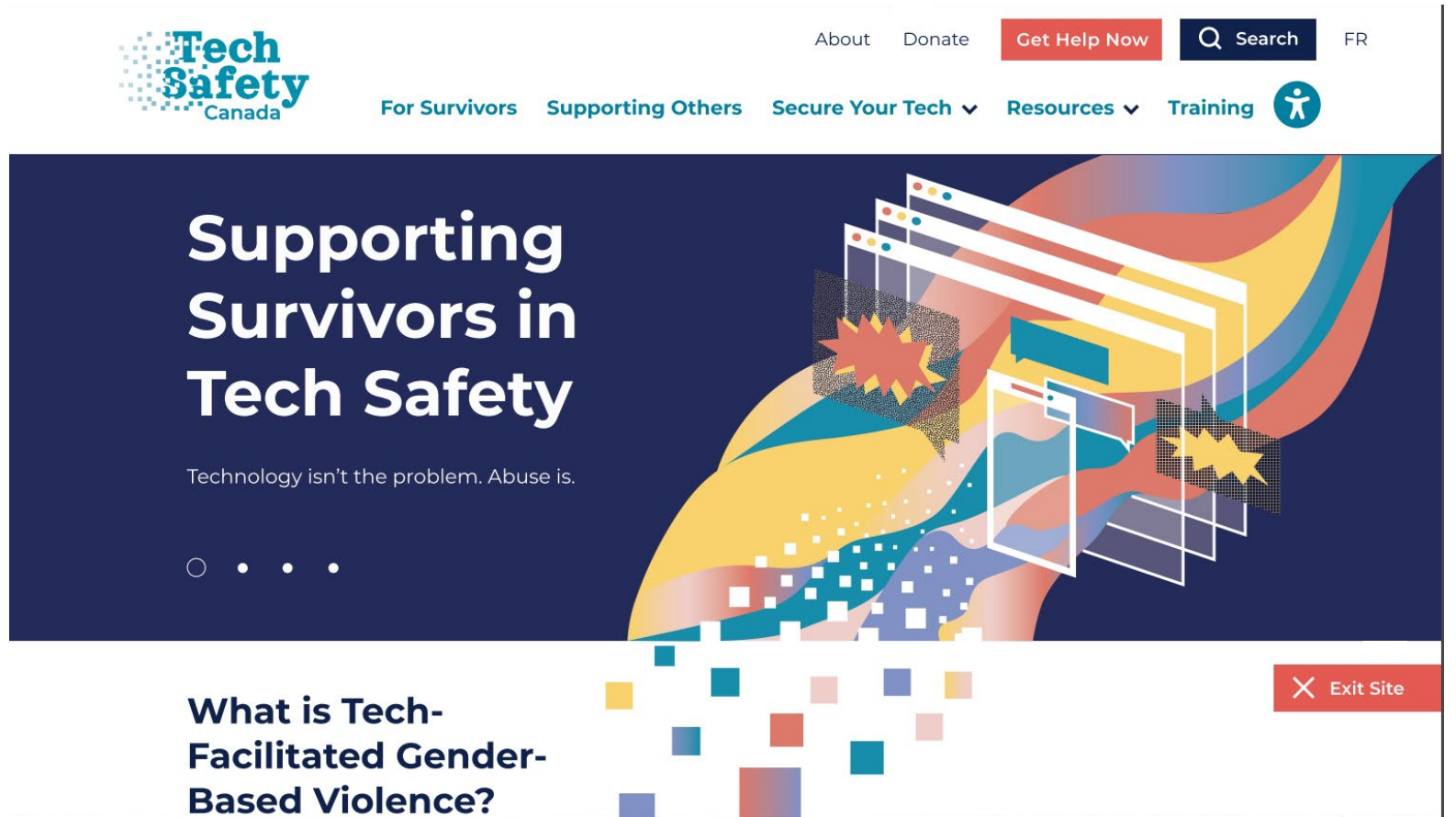
www.sheltersafe.ca

www.whitehatter.ca

www.bcsth.ca

<https://www.leaf.ca/>

www.techsafetycanada.ca



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Tech Safety Canada website. The header features the Tech Safety Canada logo on the left, and navigation links for 'About', 'Donate', 'Get Help Now' (in a red button), 'Search' (with a magnifying glass icon), and 'FR' on the right. Below the header is a secondary navigation bar with links for 'For Survivors', 'Supporting Others', 'Secure Your Tech' (with a dropdown arrow), 'Resources' (with a dropdown arrow), and 'Training' (with a person icon). The main content area has a dark blue background with a large, colorful, abstract graphic on the right side depicting overlapping windows and data points. The text 'Supporting Survivors in Tech Safety' is prominently displayed in white. Below this, a smaller line of text reads 'Technology isn't the problem. Abuse is.' and there are four small white circles. At the bottom of the main content area, the text 'What is Tech-Facilitated Gender-Based Violence?' is visible. In the bottom right corner, there is a red button labeled 'Exit Site' with a close icon.

Tech Safety Canada

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For Survivors Supporting Others Secure Your Tech ▼ Resources ▼ Training

Supporting Survivors in Tech Safety

Technology isn't the problem. Abuse is.

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What is Tech-Facilitated Gender-Based Violence?

✕ Exit Site



SUMMARY

- Getting rid of technology is not the answer.
- Ask Questions, Research & Educate.
- Empower and give control back to women.
- Safety planning around technology abuse should be individual and specific.
- Safety + Privacy + Technology = Possible.



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