



BLOOM SAFE: MAKE AMERICA THE SAFEST PLACE TO BE A KID ACT

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Child sexual abuse (CSA) is a preventable public health crisis affecting millions of children in the United States. Despite impacting 1 in 4 girls and 1 in 13 boys nationwide, current prevention efforts remain fragmented and insufficient.

Purpose:

The Bloom Safe Act establishes a bold, comprehensive, national public-private initiative aimed at ending CSA within a generation. By unifying efforts at federal, state, local, and private levels, this Act positions America as a global leader in child safety.

Core Objectives (“The Five Pillars”):

- **Education and Prevention:** Building on the success of “Erin’s Law”, implement evidence-based, age-appropriate K–12 CSA prevention curricula including body safety, body autonomy, consent, safe online behavior, and medically accurate human anatomy and physiology in schools nationwide.
- **Adult Training:** Required "Bloom Safe" certification and training for ALL adults who care for and work with children, equipping them to identify, prevent, and respond to CSA appropriately, starting with all mandated reporters.
- **Public Awareness:** Launch a sustained national campaign to break the silence and destigmatize conversations about CSA, inform families and communities about red flags and risk factors, and promote active prevention and reporting.
- **Survivor Support:** Expand trauma-informed, evidence-based, culturally competent services to ensure all survivors have immediate and sustained access to advocacy, medical care, counseling, and community support.
- **Research and Data:** Establish a National CSA Research Hub for ongoing data collection, monitoring, evaluation, and reporting, ensuring evidence-based peer reviewed science is the foundation for ongoing improvements in policy and practice.

National Coordination:

Establishing the “Bloom Safe Task Force” as an interagency task force co-chaired by HHS, the CDC, and the Department of Education as advised and supported by the DOJ in a consultative and coordinating role will ensure integrated leadership, coordination, and accountability across federal agencies, in partnership with states, local governments, nonprofits, and private sector participants.

Economic and Social Impact:

CSA's lifetime cost exceeds \$280,000 per victim—totaling over \$9.3 billion annually. Investing in prevention and intervention substantially reduces these devastating economic and human costs.

Equality of Access:

The Act emphasizes ensuring access to care and protection for all children, including those living in underserved communities, including rural, tribal, economically disadvantaged, and minority populations, ensuring comprehensive protection and support.

Funding and Accountability:

Authorizes \$1 billion over five years, strategically allocated across education, training, survivor services, community engagement, digital safety, and robust oversight. Regular, transparent reporting ensures accountability and continuous improvement.

Conclusion:

Supporting the Bloom Safe: Make America The Safest Place To Be A Kid Act means committing to a unified national movement protecting America's children from sexual harm—making our nation the safest place for kids to thrive.