



CASE CONSULTATION

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WHO IS SHE?



- ❖ 14 year old Caucasian girl
- ❖ Lives with paternal aunt and her husband (since age 6)
 - 1 biological sister – 7 years old
 - 1 male cousin – 8 years old (biological to Aunt and Uncle)
 - 1 female cousin – 15 years old (biological to Aunt and Uncle)
- ❖ History of sexual abuse and neglect when living with biological parents
- ❖ Currently receives treatment in a residential treatment facility in MO (referral was for mental health challenges – not sexual harm)

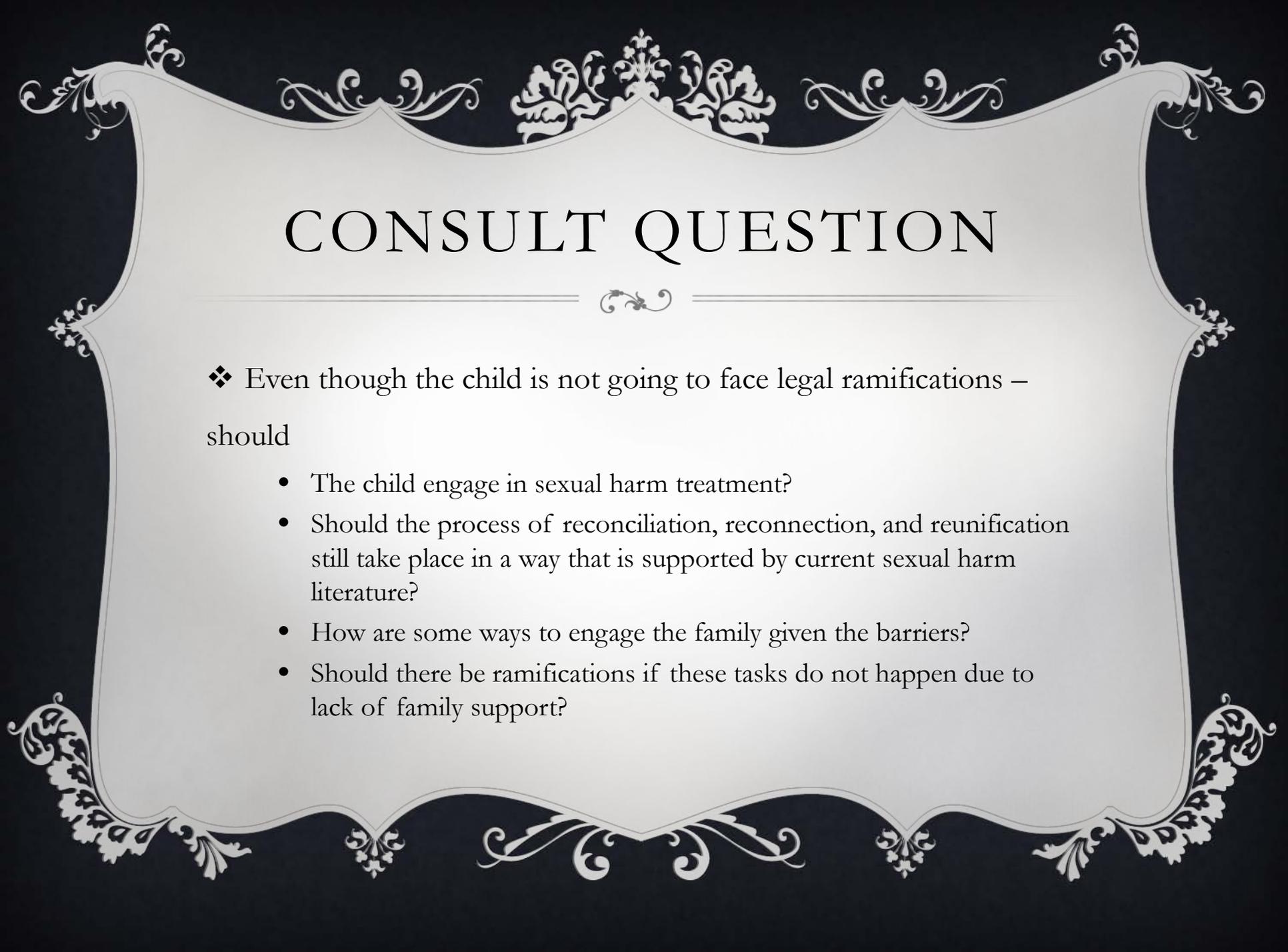
SEXUAL HARM HX

- ❖ Engaged in sexually reactive behavior under the age of 12 with her paternal cousin (approx 9 years of age – cousin was 5)
- ❖ While in treatment – it was found that some of the sexual harm continued after the initial realization of sexually reactive behavior (approx 13 years of age – cousin was 9)
- ❖ Case is not being followed by legal system. The cousin has some intellectual disabilities that could make testifying difficult

BARRIERS TO TREATMENT

- ❖ Medical illnesses in the family
- ❖ Poverty
- ❖ Family lives about an hour from the facility
- ❖ Poor family therapy progress
- ❖ Poor family involvement
- ❖ Relative placement caregivers have trauma in their own histories





CONSULT QUESTION

❖ Even though the child is not going to face legal ramifications –
should

- The child engage in sexual harm treatment?
- Should the process of reconciliation, reconnection, and reunification still take place in a way that is supported by current sexual harm literature?
- How are some ways to engage the family given the barriers?
- Should there be ramifications if these tasks do not happen due to lack of family support?

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