Perverted Justice

Perverted Justice is a California-based nonprofit organization for investigating, identifying, and publicizing users in chat rooms with predatory tendencies toward children. Its methods are controversial, and a number of critics have termed these actions as harassment.

It recruits volunteer contributors who do the following:

- Pose as underage children in chat rooms
- Use a fake online screen name
- Wait for predators to initiate conversations with them

National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (NSPCC) protects children from cruelty, supports vulnerable families, campaigns for changes to the law, and raises awareness about abuse. Its aim is to have a society where all children are loved, valued, and able to fulfill their potential. It runs the Child Protection Helpline and the ChildLine in the U.K. and the Channel Islands.

Most of its work is with children, young people, and their families. It also works to achieve cultural, social, and political change by influencing legislation, policy, practice, public attitudes, and behaviors.

ChildLine is a service provided by NSPCC that is the U.K.'s free, 24-hour help line for children in distress or danger. Trained volunteer counselors comfort, advise, and protect children and young people who may feel they have nowhere else to turn.

NSPCC has set the following four objectives:

1. To mobilize everyone to take action to end child cruelty
2. To give children the help, support, and environment they need to stay safe from cruelty
3. To find ways of working with communities to keep children safe from cruelty
4. To be, and be seen as, someone to turn to for children and young people

Canadian Centre for Child Protection

The Canadian Centre for Child Protection (CCCP) is a charitable organization whose goal is to reduce child victimization by providing programs and services to Canadians. The following describe the mission of the Canadian Centre for Child Protection:

- To reduce the incidence of missing and sexually exploited children
- To educate the public on child personal safety and sexual exploitation
- To assist in finding the location of missing children
- To advocate for and increase awareness about issues relating to child sexual exploitation

The Canadian Centre for Child Protection does the following:

- Delivers programs to increase the personal safety of children and reduce their risk of sexual exploitation
- Prevents harm to children through education and prevention programs for children, families, schools, and communities
- Receives and addresses reports of child pornography, online luring, child sex tourism, and children exploited through prostitution
- Maintains comprehensive data on the latest trends in child victimization and develops training and programs to address the risks
- Accepts tips from the public and assists in locating missing children
- Advocates on issues relating to child victimization and protection
- Researches better practices on how to keep children safer
- Coordinates national efforts in the area of child protection through collaboration with nonprofit agencies, government, industry, law enforcement, educators, and families

Figure 11-24 shows the CCCP Web site.