Position Statement on Improving the Health of Sex Workers and Survivors of Sexual Exploitation

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1. ACP recognizes the negative health and social effects of the criminalization of sex work on individuals exchanging sex for money or other forms of payment.

2. ACP supports the decriminalization of sex work that involves the participation of consenting individuals to better support sex worker health.

3. ACP calls for the expungement of criminal records of individuals previously convicted of exchanging sex for money or other forms of payment.

4. ACP urges the implementation of policies to address human trafficking and sexual exploitation through a public health framework that promotes access to care and support for survivors rather than criminalization.