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TIPS TO PREVENT SEXTING: FOR PARENTS AND TEENAGERS

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- **Think Twice, Post Once** Nothing ever really disappears online
- **Set Tech-Free Zones** No phones are needed in bedrooms or bathrooms
- **Encourage Conversations** If they start by email or by text or in person, they need to happen



ROBIN SHELOW *Milwaukee Defense Lawyer, Represented Clients Accused in Sexting Cases*

- **Clothes Off, Phones Off** Centuries-old behavior should not embrace modern technology
- **Talk, Don't Scream** Parents need to realize it's the same behavior they engaged in when they were teens
- **Educate, Don't Criminalize** Teach the concerns related to this, but don't put kids on the sex offender registry for sexting

DR. MARCIA SLATTERY *UW-Madison Anxiety Disorders Clinic*

- **Know you're not alone** There are a number of people who are available to help
- **It's a start** This can provide a way to start a conversation about online problems
- **Ask your teenager for technology advice** By empowering them, they can guide you through possible internet concerns.



WEBSITES TO VISIT:

[Wisconsin Internet Crimes Against Children site with podcasts, resources and materials.](#)

[Canadian Centre for Child Protection helps teens stop the spread of sexual pictures or videos and provides support along the way](#)