

Sextortion & Deepnudes: What You Need to Know

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This session provides an overview of two growing forms of technology-facilitated harm: sextortion and AI-generated deepnudes. Participants will learn how these practices operate, who is most at risk, the impacts on victims, and practical strategies for prevention, response, and support.



Learning Outcomes:

- Understand what sextortion and deepnudes are and how they occur
- Recognize common tactics used by offenders and warning signs of victimization
- Learn practical strategies to identify and respond to these forms of abuse
- Identify supports and resources available for victims, families, and communities

Speakers:

Dr. Kaitlynn Mendes is a Professor in Sociology at Western University and an internationally recognized expert on technology-facilitated violence, digital safety, and online harms. Her research focuses on issues including sextortion, image-based sexual abuse, gender-based violence, and young people's digital experiences. She regularly works with government, community organizations, and educators to translate research into practical resources, policies, and prevention strategies.



Target Audience: Community members, service providers, educators, health professionals, parents and caregivers, youth workers, and anyone interested in digital safety

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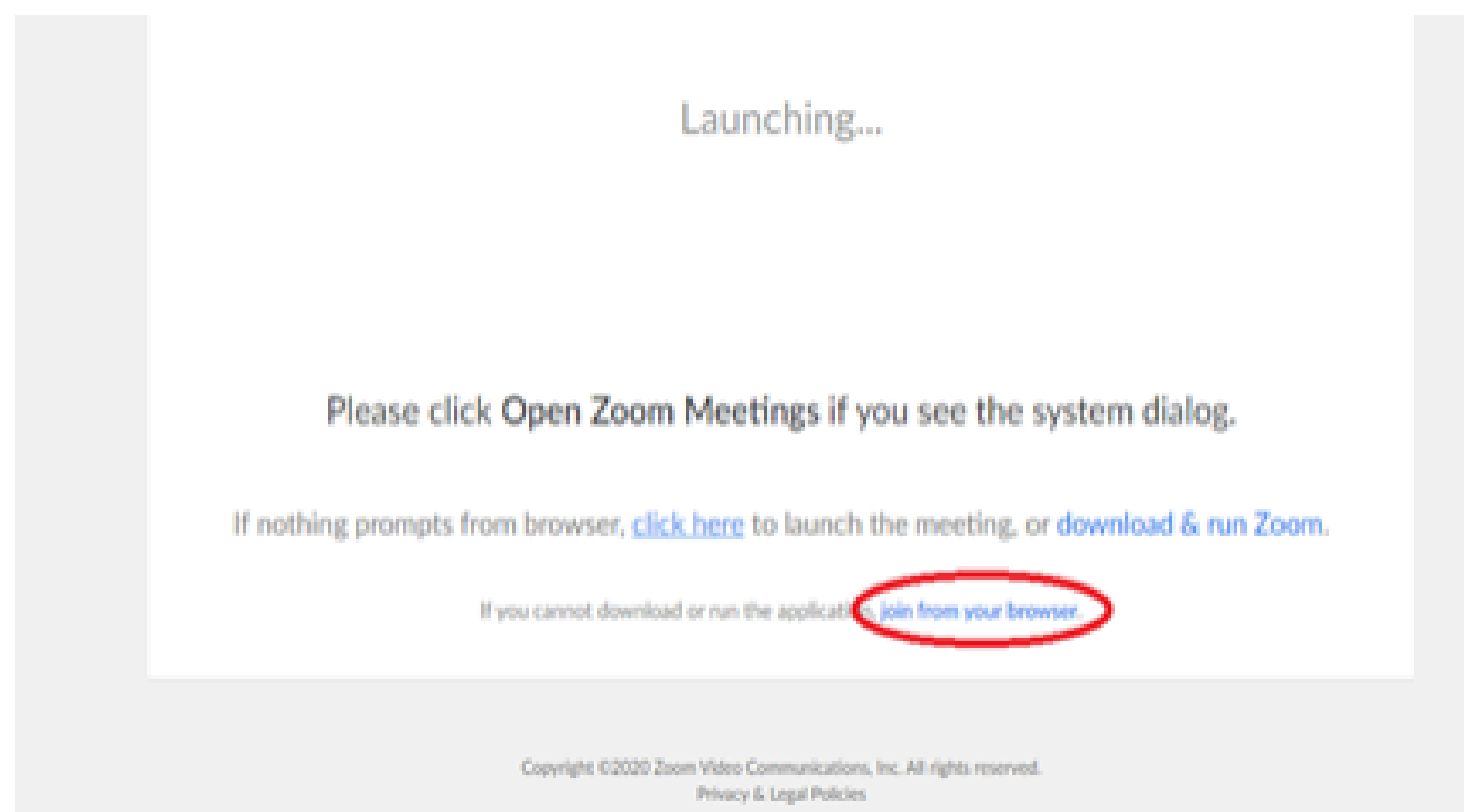
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