Addressing the Rise of Nihilistic Violence Extremism and Sadistic Online Behavior

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Length: 3 Hours

One hour and 30 minutes

- Introduction and Overview
  - Trigger warning and resources
  - Background information
- Nihilistic Violence Extremism (NVE)
  - NVE tactics
  - Understanding radicalization and relevant concepts
  - Traditional extremism vs. NVE
- Online Behavior and Communities
  - Online disinhibition effect
  - The "edgesphere" and its communities
  - Cutecore/Cutegore
- Pathways to NVE
  - Behavioral drivers

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- NVE Networks and Case Examples
  - Nazi-Satanism
  - Emergence of 764
  - Case examples
- Online Sexual Exploitation
  - Roblox and Discord tutorials
  - Online sexual exploitation (OSE) tactics
  - NVE victim pathway
- Clinical Considerations and Case Analyses
  - Path to intended violence: Beyond grievance
- Countering NVE and OSE
  - Pathology vs. psychological vulnerabilities
  - Developmental circumstances
  - Traits and dynamic elements
  - Behavioral chain analysis: The funnel approach
  - Inquiries and interventions
  - Safety on social media
- Q&A and Wrap-Up

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