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Child Abuse

Preisler JJ, Stewart CJ.

Running the Numbers: Domestic Violence in Child Welfare.

N C Med J. 2018 Mar-Apr;79(2):130-131. PMID: [29563314](#)

Of 3,245 North Carolinian children referred to CPS and who were found on trauma screening to be exposed to IPV, table below shows other exposures they experienced.

Additional Exposure Types	Number of Screens
Exposure to drug/substance abuse or related activity	1386
Multiple separations from/changes in primary caregiver	866
Incarceration and/or witnessing arrest of primary caregiver	636
Basic physical needs not met	539
Emotional maltreatment	493
Physical maltreatment or assault	432
Sexual maltreatment or assault/rape	280
Traumatic death of a loved one	270
Homelessness	268
Exposure to community violence	137
Exposure to school violence and/or severe bullying	134
Other	100
Serious accident/illness/medical procedure	92
Immigration trauma	20
Natural disaster/war/terrorism	17
Human trafficking	3

Source. Project Broadcast Trauma Screening Tool data compiled by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Jonson-Reid M, Wideman E.

Trauma and Very Young Children.

Child Adolesc Psychiatr Clin N Am. 2017 Jul;26(3):477-490.

PMID: [28577604](#)

Authors discuss clinical consequences, protective factors and resilience, best practices for assessment, screening tools, and treatment methods for children under age 4 exposed to trauma.

Barch DM, Belden AC, Tillman R, Whalen D, Luby JL.

Early Childhood Adverse Experiences, Inferior Frontal Gyrus Connectivity, and Externalizing Psychopathology.

J Am Acad Child Adolesc Psychiatry. 2018 Mar;57(3):183-190.

PMID: [29496127](#)

Of children starting preschool, there was a correlation between increasing ACE score, externalizing symptoms (anger, aggression), and decreasing size and connectivity of the inferior frontal gyrus, a brain region important for impulse control and emotion regulation.

Letson MM, Cooper JN, Deans KJ, et. al.

Prior opportunities to identify abuse in children with abusive head trauma.

Child Abuse Negl. 2016 Oct;60:36-45. PMID: [27680755](#)

In a chart review of 232 children with abusive head trauma from 4 tertiary care children's hospitals, mean age was 5.4 months, and 10% had died. 25% had had at least one prior opportunity to identify abuse in a medical setting. The most common prior opportunities included vomiting 31.5%, prior CPS contact 20%, and bruising 11.7%.

Expert Panel on Pediatric Imaging.

ACR Appropriateness Criteria® Suspected Physical Abuse-Child.

J Am Coll Radiol. 2017 May;14(5S):S338-S349. PMID:

[28473090](#)

Guidelines from the American College of Radiology on the use of imaging in the management of suspected physical abuse of children. These guidelines are reviewed and updated annually by an expert panel.

Kingston M, Smurthwaite D, Dixon S, White C.

How to manage children with anogenital warts.

Sex Transm Infect. 2017 Jun;93(4):267-269. PMID: [27052038](#)

Review of present knowledge, grey areas, and management algorithm.

Katner D, Brown C, Fournier S.

Considerations in identifying pediatric dental neglect and the legal obligation to report.

J Am Dent Assoc. 2016 Oct;147(10):812-6. PMID: [27291824](#)

Clarification of the definition of pediatric dental neglect, and suggested practice guidelines for assessment and management.

Adult Manifestations of Child Abuse

Taillieu TL, Brownridge DA, Sareen J, Afifi TO.

Childhood emotional maltreatment and mental disorders: Results from a nationally representative adult sample from the United States.

Child Abuse Negl. 2016 Sep;59:1-12. PMID: [27490515](#)

From a national survey, and after controlling for sociodemographic variables and other forms of childhood maltreatment, both emotional abuse and emotional neglect were independent risk factors for almost every type of mental health disorder assessed.

Jaffee SR.

Child Maltreatment and Risk for Psychopathology in Childhood and Adulthood.

Annu Rev Clin Psychol. 2017 May 8;13:525-551. PMID: [28375720](#)

Review of child maltreatment and subsequent increased risk of mental health problems in childhood and adulthood. Author discusses genetic and psychosocial factors leading to three potential mechanisms for how abuse influences mood and behavior: hypervigilance to threat, deficits in emotion recognition and understanding, and low responsivity to reward.

Krause S, Boeck C, Gump AM, et. al.

Child Maltreatment Is Associated with a Reduction of the Oxytocin Receptor in Peripheral Blood Mononuclear Cells.

Front Psychol. 2018 Feb 27;9:173. PMID: [29535656](#)

In a study of 49 German mothers, those with a history of childhood maltreatment had significantly lower levels of oxytocin receptor proteins on blood cells in a graded fashion with increasing abuse, even though their blood levels of oxytocin were the same as women without childhood maltreatment. Anxiety and depression did not affect results. [What this means is that measuring blood levels of oxytocin, the “bonding” hormone, for research may not be a true reflection of what is going on. Hormones like oxytocin act on cells by combining with receptors on the cell wall – when there are fewer receptors the hormone can’t work as well, and in this study childhood abuse may cause there to be fewer receptors. These researchers used easily available immune blood cells to study receptors as a substitute for what may be going on in areas such as the brain. The bottom line is that this is one more line of evidence for and mechanism of intergenerational transmission of

abuse/neglect/lack of attachment. These moms may physiologically not be getting the signals and impulses to attend to their children in an optimal way, and need extra, non-judgmental help.]

Afifi TO, Sareen J, Fortier J, et. al.

Child maltreatment and eating disorders among men and women in adulthood: Results from a nationally representative United States sample.

Int J Eat Disord. 2017 Nov;50(11):1281-1296. PMID: [28990206](#)

From a large national survey, the prevalence of any lifetime eating disorder was 1.7% (0.8% among men and 2.7% among women). Overall, the types of child maltreatment with the strongest relationships with any eating disorder were sexual abuse and physical neglect among men and sexual abuse and emotional abuse among women.

Li Z, He Y, Wang D, Tang J, Chen X.

Association between childhood trauma and accelerated telomere erosion in adulthood: A meta-analytic study.

J Psychiatr Res. 2017 Oct;93:64-71. PMID: [28601667](#)

A review of research showed an association between childhood trauma and shortening of adult telomeres (a sign of premature aging of cells), with some differences by trauma types.

Turner S, Taillieu T, Cheung K, et. al.

Child Abuse Experiences and Perceived Need for Care and Mental Health Service Use among Members of the Canadian Armed Forces.

Can J Psychiatry. 2017 Jun;62(6):413-421. PMID: [28562093](#)

From a survey of 6692 Canadian soldiers, a history of child abuse had an independent association with perceived need for care and mental health service use, and “hence need to be considered when assessing the mental health service needs of the Canadian Regular Force personnel.”

Adolescents

Davies BR, Allen NB.

Trauma and homelessness in youth: Psychopathology and intervention.

Clin Psychol Rev. 2017 Jun;54:17-28. PMID: [28371649](#)

Review paper that explores “(1) the role of childhood trauma in the genesis of runaway and homeless behavior, and (2) how childhood trauma interacts with street victimization to create vulnerability to psychopathology.”

Abajobir AA, Kisely S, Williams GM, et. al.

Substantiated Childhood Maltreatment and Intimate Partner Violence Victimization in Young Adulthood: A Birth Cohort Study.

J Youth Adolesc. 2017 Jan;46(1):165-179. PMID: [27624702](#)

Of 3322 Australian young adults, the odds of reporting emotional, physical or sexual IPV were 1.76 to 4.62 times greater for those who had experienced various types of childhood maltreatment.

King B, Van Wert M.

Predictors of Early Childbirth Among Female Adolescents in Foster Care.

J Adolesc Health. 2017 Aug;61(2):226-232. PMID: [28438523](#)

From California population datasets, of 30,339 girls who spent time in foster care as adolescents 2001-2010, 18.3% gave birth for the first time prior to age 20. "The highest birth rates were observed among girls who entered care between ages 13 and 16 years; had been in care for relatively short periods of time; lived in congregate care at the estimated date of conception; had a history of running away; and were Latina, black, or Native American."

Musa S, Peek-Asa C, Jovanović N, Selimović E.

Association of adverse childhood experiences and health risk behaviors among young adults visiting a regional primary healthcare center, Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.

PLoS One. 2018 Mar 29;13(3):e0194439. PMID: [29596442](#)

In this ACE study of 400 Eastern European young adults, emotional neglect was the only ACE significantly associated with all four measured health risk behaviors – early sex initiation, alcohol use, drug use, and dating violence.

Hanson JL, van den Bos W, Roeber BJ, et. al.

Early adversity and learning: implications for typical and atypical behavioral development.

J Child Psychol Psychiatry. 2017 Jul;58(7):770-778. PMID: [28158896](#)

From a study of 81 adolescents, participants who had been exposed to early adversity were less able than their peers to correctly learn which stimuli were likely to result in reward, even after repeated feedback; were less likely to use known rewards in their environment; and were more likely to make decisions based on random expectations of reward. "These data suggest one mechanism through which early life experience shapes behavioral development."

Domestic Violence – Effects on Children

Harold GT, Sellers R.

Annual Research Review: Interparental conflict and youth psychopathology.

J Child Psychol Psychiatry. 2018 Apr;59(4):374-402. PMID: [29574737](#)

"New evidence highlights that children's emotional, behavioral, social, academic outcomes, and future interpersonal relationships are adversely affected by conflict between parents/carers whether adults are living together or not (i.e. married or separated), or where children are or are not genetically related to their rearing parents (e.g. adoption)." Authors suggest effective prevention interventions.

Maxwell L, Nandi A, Benedetti A, et. al.

Intimate partner violence and pregnancy spacing: results from a meta-analysis of individual participant time-to-event data from 29 low-and-middle-income countries.

BMJ Glob Health. 2018 Jan 13;3(1):e000304. PMID: [29564152](#)

"Pregnancy and birth spacing are closely associated with maternal death and disability and are important predictors of both short-term and long-term maternal-child health, economic, and educational outcomes. Women's experience of emotional, physical, or sexual IPV is associated with decreased time between pregnancies and an increased rate of unintended pregnancy." Of 29 countries, IPV was associated with a 28% increased risk of unintended pregnancy, and a 41% increased risk of pregnancies less than 18 months apart.

Domestic Violence – Physical Health

Zieman G, Bridwell A, Cárdenas JF.

Traumatic Brain Injury in Domestic Violence Victims: A Retrospective Study at the Barrow Neurological Institute.

J Neurotrauma. 2017 Feb 15;34(4):876-880. PMID: [27312572](#)

Of 115 patients seen in a subspecialty traumatic brain injury clinic due to domestic violence, 6 were males. 88% reported more than one injury and 81% reported a history of loss of consciousness. Only 21% sought medical help at the time of injury. Headache was the most common chief complaint, but behavioral symptoms were the most severe.

Goins RT, Noonan C, Gonzales K, Winchester B, Bradley VL.
Association of depressive symptomology and psychological trauma with diabetes control among older American Indian women: Does social support matter?

J Diabetes Complications. 2017 Apr;31(4):669-674. PMID: [28161383](#)

In this study of American Indian women over age 55 with diabetes, depression was not associated with diabetic control, but a history of trauma (which included IPV or sexual assault) was associated with poorer control. High social support somewhat decreased the influence of trauma.

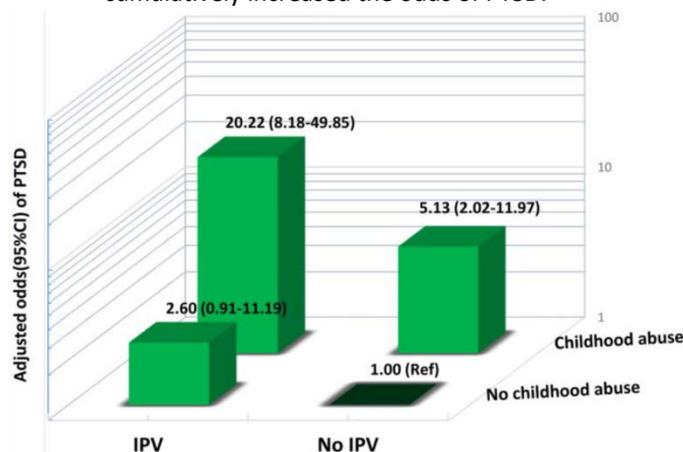
Domestic Violence – Mental Health

Sanchez SE, Pineda O, Chaves DZ, et. al.

Childhood physical and sexual abuse experiences associated with post-traumatic stress disorder among pregnant women.

Ann Epidemiol. 2017 Nov;27(11):716-723.e1. PMID: [29079333](#)

For 2928 Peruvian pregnant women, a history of childhood physical or sexual abuse plus IPV cumulatively increased the odds of PTSD.



Elder/Dependent Adult Abuse

Rosen T, Hargarten S, Flomenbaum NE, Platts-Mills TF.
Identifying Elder Abuse in the Emergency Department: Toward a Multidisciplinary Team-Based Approach.

Ann Emerg Med. 2016 Sep;68(3):378-82. PMID: [27005448](#)

Authors describe the various team roles that could aid in improved identification of elder abuse in the emergency department.

Keesler JM.

Adverse Childhood Experiences Among Direct Support Professionals.

Intellect Dev Disabil. 2018 Apr;56(2):119-132. PMID: [29584563](#)

From an online survey of 386 direct support professionals working in licensed settings with individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, 75% reported at least one ACE, and 30% had 4+ ACEs. A trauma-informed approach for caregivers in this stressful setting might help with known rapid employment turnover.

LGBTQ Concerns

Stephenson R, Riley E, Rogers E, et. al.

The Sexual Health of Transgender Men: A Scoping Review.

J Sex Res. 2017 May -Jun;54(4-5):424-445. PMID: [28140660](#)

“Significant gaps in the literature regarding sexual coercion, sexual and intimate partner violence, and relationship quality and functioning among transgender men exist.”

Goldenberg T, Jadwin-Cakmak L, Harper GW.

Intimate Partner Violence Among Transgender Youth: Associations with Intrapersonal and Structural Factors.

Violence Gend. 2018 Mar 1;5(1):19-25. PMID: [29588911](#)

From a survey of 131 transgender/non-conforming youth, IPV was associated with extreme victimization, a history of incarceration, or participation in sex work. Those with depressive symptoms were 8 times more likely to report IPV.

Cultural Concerns

Frazer E, Mitchell RA Jr., Nesbitt LS, et. al.

The Violence Epidemic in the African American Community: A Call by the National Medical Association for Comprehensive Reform.

J Natl Med Assoc. 2018 Feb;110(1):4-15. PMID: [29510842](#)

“Through an examination of the role of racism in the perpetuation of the violent environment and an exploration of the effects of gang violence, intimate partner violence/child maltreatment and police use of excessive force, this work attempts to highlight the repercussions of violence in the African American community.”

Umeda M, Kataoka Y, Miller E.

Principles of care for women experiencing intimate partner violence: Views of expert Japanese health professionals and advocates.

Health Care Women Int. 2017 Nov;38(11):1219-1233. PMID: [28742441](#)

“In Japan, interventions for Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) in the health care setting are rare, partly due to Japanese cultural norms that marginalize women's IPV experiences... Japanese health professionals who are experts in IPV care identified culturally relevant IPV interventions: supporting women's autonomy to define what is at stake for her, appreciating unique trajectories and timing for recovery, and practicing shared decision-making.”

Sexual Assault

Muehlenhard CL, Peterson ZD, Humphreys TP, Jozkowski KN.
Evaluating the One-in-Five Statistic: Women's Risk of Sexual Assault While in College.

J Sex Res. 2017 May -Jun;54(4-5):549-576. PMID: [28375675](#)

Thorough review of available data relating to the statistic that 1-in-5 college women are sexually assaulted while in college, including debunking assumptions on both sides of the statistic.

Rajan G, Ljunggren G, Wändell P, et. al.

Diagnoses of sexual abuse and their common registered comorbidities in the total population of Stockholm.

J Epidemiol Community Health. 2017 Jun;71(6):592-598. PMID: [28077602](#)

From a medical database of all living persons in Stockholm between 2008 and 2014, (over 2.5 million), for females the highest 2-year prevalence of sexual abuse was ages 13-17, followed by 5-12 years and then 0-4 years. For males the highest rate was ages 5-12. Drug and alcohol abuse, mental health diagnoses, and somatic pain were more common among those with a diagnosis of sexual abuse.

Markowitz JC, Neria Y, Lovell K, Van Meter PE, Petkova E.
History of sexual trauma moderates psychotherapy outcome for posttraumatic stress disorder.

Depress Anxiety. 2017 Aug;34(8):692-700. PMID: [28376282](#)

Patients with PTSD from interpersonal, sexual or physical trauma were randomized to be treated with prolonged exposure therapy, interpersonal psychotherapy, or relaxation therapy. All 3 methods worked equally for interpersonal or physical trauma, but for sexual trauma best results were obtained

with interpersonal psychotherapy which “focuses on affect to help patients determine trust in their current environments.”

Wadsworth P, Krahe E, Searing K.

An Ecological Model of Well-being After Sexual Assault: The Voices of Victims and Survivors.

Fam Community Health. 2018 Jan/Mar;41(1):37-46. PMID: [29135793](#)

From interviews with 22 adult female sexual assault survivors, an “ecological” model is used to identify barriers and facilitators at the levels of: individual, assault, microsystem (family/friends), meso/exosystems (official/unofficial helping systems such as community services or law), macrosystem (greater society), and chronosystem (time).

Human Trafficking

Stanley N, Oram S, Jakobowitz S, et. al.

The health needs and healthcare experiences of young people trafficked into the UK.

Child Abuse Negl. 2016 Sep;59:100-10. PMID: [27552002](#)

From interviews with 29 people aged 16-21 trafficked into the UK from other countries, physical and sexual violence, threats, restrictions of liberty, and deprivation were widespread. 5 had become pregnant, and 2/3 screened positive for high levels of psychological distress, including PTSD and suicidality. While some wanted opportunities to talk to health professionals confidentially, others wanted to forget abusive experiences. Barriers included complex gatekeeping systems, language, and practitioners who failed to take them seriously. Health professionals need to recognize, respond, and refer, and as well as facilitate care at a later time when individuals might be more receptive.

Cimino AN, Madden EE, Hohn K, et. al.

Childhood Maltreatment and Child Protective Services Involvement Among the Commercially Sexually Exploited: A Comparison of Women Who Enter as Juveniles or as Adults.

J Child Sex Abus. 2017 Apr;26(3):352-371. PMID: [28471337](#)

93% of 96 adult female sex workers had experienced childhood maltreatment, especially parent/caregiver sexual abuse, being left alone, being kicked out, and running away. There were no differences in cumulative childhood maltreatment between those who had been investigated or removed by CPS, and those who had never come in contact with CPS.

Salami T, Gordon M, Coverdale J, Nguyen PT.

What Therapies are Favored in the Treatment of the Psychological Sequelae of Trauma in Human Trafficking Victims?

J Psychiatr Pract. 2018 Mar;24(2):87-96. PMID: [29509178](#)
Discussion of different therapeutic treatments typically implemented with victims of trauma, and which components may or may not be helpful for human trafficking victims.

Mumma BE, Scofield ME, Mendoza LP, et. al.

Screening for Victims of Sex Trafficking in the Emergency Department: A Pilot Program.

West J Emerg Med. 2017 Jun;18(4):616-620. PMID: [28611881](#)
143 female emergency department patients at UC Davis (Sacramento, CA) were screened for human trafficking with a 14 item screen. 39 screened positive and 10 were found to be victims of trafficking. The screen was more sensitive than physician impression. The one question that all 10 trafficked victims answered positively was "Were you (or anyone you work with) ever beaten, hit, yelled at, raped, threatened or made to feel physical pain for working slowly or for trying to leave?"

Perpetrators

Lane KS, St Pierre ME, Lauterbach MD, Koliatsos VE.

Patient Profiles of Criminal Behavior in the Context of Traumatic Brain Injury.

J Forensic Sci. 2017 Mar;62(2):545-548. PMID: [27864958](#)
Discussion of the role of traumatic brain injury in disinhibition and aggression which can result in police contact.

Bright MA, Huq MS, Spencer T, Applebaum JW, Hardt N.

Animal cruelty as an indicator of family trauma: Using adverse childhood experiences to look beyond child abuse and domestic violence.

Child Abuse Negl. 2018 Feb;76:287-296. PMID: [29175278](#)
"Youth who engage in animal cruelty are known to be at increased risk of perpetrating violence on other people in their lives including peers, loved ones, and elder family members. These youths have often been exposed to family violence, including animal cruelty perpetrated on their beloved pets by violent adults." In this study of 81,000 juvenile offenders, those who engaged in animal cruelty were more likely to be younger at time of arrest, and more likely to have four or more ACEs.

Holoyda B.

Bestiality in Forensically Committed Sexual Offenders: A Case Series.

J Forensic Sci. 2017 Mar;62(2):541-544. PMID: [27861903](#)
From a sexual offender incarcerated population, author discusses those who disclosed bestiality, with potential motivations for sex with animals (a risk factor for future interpersonal violence), range of animal partners, sexual acts and mental health diagnoses.

Police and Court Systems

Kopelman LM.

The Forced Marriage of Minors: A Neglected Form of Child Abuse.

J Law Med Ethics. 2016 Mar;44(1):173-81. PMID: [27256133](#)
"The American Bar Association (ABA) concludes that the problem in the US is significant, widespread but largely ignored, and that few US laws protect minors from forced marriages. Although their best chance of rescue often involves visits to health care providers, US providers show little awareness of this growing problem." Author discusses prevention strategies and cultural concerns.

Providers

Earls MF.

Trauma-Informed Primary Care: Prevention, Recognition, and Promoting Resilience.

N C Med J. 2018 Mar-Apr;79(2):108-112. PMID: [29563305](#)
Review of the importance of trauma-informed health care, and suggestions for incorporation into primary care.

Freeman Williamson L, Kautz DD.

Trauma-Informed Care Is the Best Clinical Practice in Rehabilitation Nursing.

Rehabil Nurs. 2018 Mar/Apr;43(2):73-80. PMID: [29499004](#)
Discussion of the effects of ACEs on patients requiring rehabilitation therapy, and the importance of implementing the principles of trauma-informed care: safety, trustworthiness, choice, collaboration, and empowerment.

Zarnello L.

The ACE effect: A case study of adverse childhood experiences.

Nursing. 2018 Apr;48(4):50-54. PMID: [29561370](#)

Case study of a recurrent emergency department patient, with a review of how her ACE exposures influenced her physiology and behaviors to culminate in her medical situation.

Drinkwater J, Stanley N, Szilassy E, et. al.

Juggling confidentiality and safety: a qualitative study of how general practice clinicians document domestic violence in families with children.

Br J Gen Pract. 2017 Jun;67(659):e437-e444. PMID: [28137783](#)

From interviews with 54 clinicians across 6 sites in England regarding documentation of domestic violence and abuse (DVA) in the electronic patient record (EPR), "They described tensions among the different roles of the EPR: a legal document; providing continuity of care; information sharing to improve safety; and a patient-owned record. This led to strategies to hide information, so that it was only available to other clinicians...National integrated guidance is urgently needed regarding how clinicians should manage the competing roles of the EPR, while maintaining safety of the whole family, especially in the context of online EPRs and patient access."

Wohl A, Kirschen GW.

Betrayal of the Body: Group Approaches to Hypo-Sexuality for Adult Female Sufferers of Childhood Sexual Abuse.

J Child Sex Abus. 2018 Feb-Mar;27(2):154-160. PMID: [29509103](#)

Discussion of "several strategies that providers may employ in a group setting in order to help women realize their sexuality while minimizing untoward side effects such as feelings of guilt or shame, or flashbacks."

Byrne J, Smart C, Watson G.

"I Felt Like I Was Being Abused All Over Again": How Survivors of Child Sexual Abuse Make Sense of the Perinatal Period Through Their Narratives.

J Child Sex Abus. 2017 May-Jun;26(4):465-486. PMID: [28537852](#)

Detailed interviews with 3 survivors of childhood sexual abuse on their different struggles during pregnancy, childbirth, and the postnatal period.

Prevention

Senn CY, Eliasziw M, Hobden KL, et. al.

Secondary and 2-Year Outcomes of a Sexual Assault Resistance Program for University Women.

Psychol Women Q. 2017 Jun;41(2):147-162. PMID: [29503496](#)

An intervention to educate Canadian first year college women about perception of personal risk, effective resistance strategies, rape myth acceptance and personal blame, "significantly reduced the risk of completed and attempted rape, attempted coercion, and nonconsensual sexual contact over the entire follow-up period, yielding reductions between 30% and 64% at 2 years."

Mittal M, Thevenet-Morrison K, Landau J, et. al.

An Integrated HIV Risk Reduction Intervention for Women with a History of Intimate Partner Violence: Pilot Test Results.

AIDS Behav. 2017 Aug;21(8):2219-2232. PMID: [27172976](#)

An HIV risk intervention for women experiencing IPV, compared to controls, showed that women in the intervention group reported significantly fewer incidents of unprotected sex, more safer-sex conversations with their partners, and fewer episodes of IPV.

Researchers

Aldous A, Magnus M, Roberts A, et. al.

Challenges in conducting research on sexual violence and HIV and approaches to overcome them.

Am J Reprod Immunol. 2017 Jul;78(1). PMID: [28467001](#)

Authors describe "methodological challenges encountered and solutions explored" in implementing a sensitive research study. "Well-trained research staff and well-articulated community and medical partnerships were key methods to overcoming challenges while promoting the safety and welfare of vulnerable study participants."

McLeigh JD, Katz C, Davidson-Arad B, Ben-Arieh A.

The Cultural Adaptation of a Community-Based Child Maltreatment Prevention Initiative.

Fam Process. 2017 Jun;56(2):393-407. PMID: [26568326](#)

Description of a community child abuse prevention program from South Carolina that was adapted in content and delivery to be culturally relevant to the needs of an Israeli community.

Other of Interest

Hsiao C, Fry D, Ward CL, Ganz G, Casey T, Zheng X, Fang X.

Violence against children in South Africa: the cost of inaction to society and the economy.

BMJ Glob Health. 2018 Jan 5;3(1):e000573. PMID: [29515918](#)

Analysis of decreased costs from depression, anxiety, alcohol or drug abuse, HIV, IPV, and self-harm if various ACEs were decreased or prevented. Overall, authors estimate that the cost of inaction to prevent childhood ACEs in 2015 amounted to nearly 5% of the GDP of South Africa.

Monti E, Kidd DC, Carroll LM, Castano E.

What's in a singer's voice: The effect of attachment, emotions and trauma.

Logoped Phoniatr Vocol. 2017 Jul;42(2):62-72. PMID: [27075743](#)

From surveys and vocal recordings of singers, certain vocal acoustic measurements were associated with anxious attachment, shame, and a history of childhood emotional neglect. "This suggests the need to address attachment, shame, and trauma history patterns in the aspiring performer."

Kardile MS, Peisah C.

Elder abuse by abandonment in India: a novel community awareness and intervention strategy.

Int Psychogeriatr. 2017 Jun;29(6):1035-1036. PMID: [28091352](#)

During a particular Hindu festival when millions of people gather at certain points, historically there have been hundreds to thousands of lost/abandoned elders with dementia, usually women. This intervention included talks at multiple police stations in the area as well as police station posters explaining dementia, and offering prompts to ask such cues as maiden name, or significant home town landmarks.

Otterman G, Jalsenius M, Maguire S, Sarkadi A, Janson S.

Paediatric approaches to child maltreatment are subject to wide organisational variations across Europe.

Acta Paediatr. 2017 Jul;106(7):1110-1117. PMID: [28176364](#)



Table 1 Responses to survey questions by country (grey = yes; white = no; NR = no response)

	Mandatory reporting	Full-time child abuse paediatricians	Training for paediatricians	Training-other physicians	Multidisciplinary child protection teams	Forensic physicians	Child death review
Austria	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Belgium	Grey	Grey	White	White	White	White	White
Croatia	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Czech Republic	Grey	White	Grey	White	White	NR	NR
Denmark	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Estonia	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Finland	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
France	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Germany	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Hungary	Grey	White	Grey	White	White	White	White
Iceland	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Ireland	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Italy	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Lithuania	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Malta	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
The Netherlands	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Norway	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Slovenia	Grey	White	Grey	White	White	White	White
Spain	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Sweden	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
Switzerland	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White
The United Kingdom	Grey	White	White	White	White	White	White