



Violence in the Home: Multidisciplinary Perspectives

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Summary:

This book examines domestic violence as a multidimensional problem. Areas covered include historical perspectives on the various forms of family violence, societal trends, contemporary policy, the role of government, courts, law enforcement, social workers, therapists, and many others in both responding to and preventing violence in the home. It is a comprehensive treatment of this complex issue that is both scholarly and practical.

Chapter Titles:

1. Violence in the Home: An Introduction
2. Theoretical Perspectives
3. Child Maltreatment
4. Intimate Partner Abuse
5. Hidden Violence in the Home: Siblings, Parents, Animals
6. Elder Abuse
7. Pseudo Families: Caregiver/Institutional Maltreatment
8. Intervening in Violent Homes
9. Preventing Violence in the Home

Course Objectives:

After completing this course material the student will:

- Understand terms and definitions used to describe family violence
- Be familiar with theoretical models that apply to family violence from multidisciplinary perspectives
- Be familiar with the historical and social context of child maltreatment
- Recognize the risk factors, forms, and consequences of child maltreatment
- Be familiar with the political trends that have influenced society's response to intimate partner violence
- Recognize various forms of intimate partner violence
- Identify characteristics of abusive relationships
- Recognize the consequences of intimate partner violence, including its impact on children, poverty and homelessness, and physical and behavioral health

- Identify hidden violence in the home—against siblings, parents, and animals—and its consequences
- Understand the social and historical context of elder abuse
- Recognize the risk factors, forms, and consequences of elder abuse
- Be familiar with maltreatment from caregivers within the context of institutional care for elders, the disabled, and foster care
- Be familiar with mandatory reporting mechanisms of family violence
- Understand the roles of state agencies, courts, law enforcement, victim compensation programs, safe housing, and mental health professionals in the intervention process
- Examine multidimensional models of preventing violence in the home
- Recognize the roles that various professional disciplines may have in prevention and early intervention

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