

Types of DV Most Clearly Identified by Recent Research*

- ✓ **Coercive-Controlling Violence [CCV]** –
Also known as Battering or Intimate Terrorism
- ✓ **Situational Couple Violence [SCV]**
Also called conflict-instigated or common couple violence
- ✓ **Violent Resistance [VR]**
A violent response to being abused
- ✓ **Separation-Instigated Violence [SIV]**
A time-limited reaction to trauma

* Babcock et al, 2004; Capaldi & Owen, 2001; Dalton et al., 2003; Dutton, 2005; Graham-Kevan & Archer, 2003; Johnson, 2005; Johnson & Leone, 2005; Leone, et al, 2005; Johnston & Campbell, 1993; Magdol et al, 1997; Migliaccio, 2002 Salari & Baldwin, 2002; Statistics Canada, 2001; Ver Steegh, 2005; Wallerstein & Kelly, 1980.

✓ **Coercive-Controlling Violence (CCV)**

A pattern of control & domination is asserted by the perpetrator inducing *varying degrees* of fear, intimidation & submission in the victim through physical violence & threats to self & loved ones and one or more of the following:

- ✓ Verbal & emotional abuse
- ✓ Attacks on self-esteem
- ✓ Insistence on sole authority in multiple domains: social, financial, child-rearing etc.
- ✓ Isolation & restriction of outside contacts
- ✓ Use of legal disputes to harass & punish
- ✓ Sexual coercion & rape

Men are primary perpetrators in most shelter, criminal court samples.

✓ **Situational Couple Violence [SCV]**

- ✓ mutual blaming, hostility & verbal abuse escalation to occasional physically violent struggles
- ✓ limited problem-solving skills
- ✓ refusal to submit to one another's rules/demands
- ✓ power is relatively balanced; neither fearful
- ✓ legal disputes initiated by both parties

Both male & female initiated in community samples

✓ **Violent-Resistance [VR]**

Reaction in response to being abused for purpose of

- ✓ Self-defense
- ✓ Protection of children
- ✓ Stopping the abuse
- ✓ Pre-empting a partner's violence

Most female violence has been seen as VR but little research except in samples of victims who have killed their abusers

Types

✓ ***Separation-Instigated Violence [SIV]***

- ✓ One or two violent episodes only, around time of separation, custody dispute.
- ✓ No history of violence nor coercive control.
- ✓ Acute reaction to a traumatic separation or other stressful events.
- ✓ Intense feelings of bewilderment, loss & shame.
- ✓ Diminished parenting & co-parenting capacity is usually time-limited.

Initiated by either males or females in samples of separated and divorced