

Risk and Protective Factors for the Perpetration of Sexual Violence

RISK FACTORS	PROTECTIVE FACTORS
Societal Level	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traditional gender norms and social norms supportive of violence 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ideologies of male sexual entitlement 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inequalities based on gender, race and sexual orientation 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weak laws and policies related to sexual violence and gender equality 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High tolerance levels of crime and other forms of violence 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Poverty 	
Community Level	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of employment opportunities 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lack of institutional support from police and judicial system 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> General tolerance of sexual violence in the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Caring neighborhood
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Weak community sanctions against sexual violence perpetrators 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High value on equality and social justice Safety
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth valued as resources
Relationship Level	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Multiple partners/infidelity 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low resistance to peer pressure 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family honor and sexual purity over health and safety of the victim 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Association with sexually aggressive and delinquent peers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Peaceful and conflict resolution skills Positive peer influence
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Family environment characterized by physical violence and few resources 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Positive family communication
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Strongly patriarchal relationship or family environment 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adult role models
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emotionally unsupportive family environment 	
Individual Level	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Low socio-economic status/income 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gang membership 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sexual/Physical abuse 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intraparental violence 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Having healthy parenting as a child
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Antisocial personality 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harmful use of alcohol/Illicit drug use 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preference for impersonal sex 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hostility toward women 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hypermasculinity 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coersive sexual fantasies and other attitudes and beliefs supportive of sexual violence 	