

IPV Perpetration & Child Maltreatment: Shared Risk Factors

IPV and child maltreatment are inter-related forms of violence. In fact, over 33% of children exposed to IPV in the past year also experienced maltreatment, compared to just 9% of children with no IPV exposure.⁵ Not surprisingly, there are many common risk factors between IPV perpetration and child maltreatment perpetration.

Society:

- Social norms supporting violence
- Gender inequality

Community:

- Poverty
- Weak sanctions (e.g. neighbors unwilling to intervene)

Relationship:

- Financial stress
- Martial Conflict
- Unhealthy family relationships

Individual:

- Young age
- Unemployment
- Alcohol/drug use
- Prior experience of childhood abuse/neglect/exposure to IPV