



Physical Abuse

- Hitting, slapping, shoving, grabbing, pinching, biting, hair pulling, etc.
- Denying a partner medical care
- Forcing alcohol and/or drug use upon him or her

Sexual Abuse

- Coercing or attempting to coerce any sexual contact or behavior without consent
- Marital rape
- Attacks on sexual parts of the body
- Forcing sex after physical violence has occurred
- Treating one in a sexually demeaning way

Emotional Abuse

- Undermining an individual's sense of self-worth and/or self-esteem
- Constant criticism
- Diminishing one's abilities
- Name-calling
- Damaging one's relationship with his or her children

Economical Abuse

- Making or attempting to make an individual financially dependent by maintaining total control over financial resources
- Withholding one's access to money
- Forbidding one's attendance at school or employment

Psychological Abuse

- Causing fear by intimidation
- Threatening physical harm to self, partner, children, or partner's family or friends
- Destruction of pets and property
- Forcing isolation from family, friends, or school and/or work