**IPV**

This month’s Take Charge of Your Health Today feature focuses on everyone’s role in ending intimate partner violence (IPV). IPV involves physical, sexual, and emotional abuse and control used to exert power. For example, IPV can be used to control or cover up another person; therefore, it can manifest any behavior a person uses to exert power. For example, IPV can also be financial (like running your partner’s credit card or engaging in debt collection), emotional, relational (like threatening to leave the relationship or child custody), or more. IPV can be used as a tool during conflict or crisis situations to exert power.

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In the United States, IPV is experienced by an estimated 1 in 4 women and 1 in 7 men, and about 1 in 11 children have experienced IPV in the last year. IPV is a public health crisis and affects everyone. IPV is a form of gender-based violence that targets anyone—there are no boundaries when it comes to gender, race, class, spirituality, or location. IPV affects people of all ages and can happen in any setting, from intimate relationships to the workplace or school settings.

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