

# Research on mistreatment of older adults in Quebec:

summaries of scientific articles



"Ouch, You're Hurting Me!" or Daily Violence.

# REFERENCE

Badeau, D. (2003). "Ouch, You're Hurting Me!" or Daily Violence. *Frontières*, 15(2), 63-69.

### **TEXT TYPE**

Format: Scientific article Content: Theoretical

### **DISCUSSED THEMES**

Definition, extent of the phenomenon forms of abuse at home and in residential facilities, risk factors, vulnerability factors, profile of the abused person, abusers, consequences, prevention, burden and stress, training.

# **GOAL OR RESEARCH QUESTION**

This article aims to raise awareness on the issue of violence against seniors and on the many attacks to a person's integrity that violence can cause.

#### **PROBLEM**

Violence in everyday life affects several population groups, including seniors, who constitute a vulnerable group. This violence can affect seniors living either at home with their children, in seniors' residences, in group homes or in long-term care facilities.

### **METHODOLOGY**

No Methodology section is presented in this article.

#### RESULTS

Abuse includes acts of violence or neglect that can take on many forms (physical, psychological, material or financial, social, human rights violations and social indifference). This is a problem that affects 1 to 12% of seniors. Factors relating to both the person who commits the abuse and the older person can shed light on the acts of violence that are committed. These acts can undermine the integrity of the person on the following levels: physical, psychological, emotional, social, sexual, moral, spiritual and religious and financial.

## DISCUSSION

The discussion is integrated with the Results section presented above.

# CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the attacks on integrity caused by violence against seniors cause a gradual destruction of identity. Thus, a lack of respect and consideration leads to emotional, social, sexual and moral psychological death.

# AVENUES FOR PRACTICE AND RESEARCH

The author suggests ways of preventing violence against seniors. In particular, she suggests making a careful selection of practitioners working with seniors and providing them with training and coaching and promoting communication and awareness with regard to working in people's living environment. She also encourages seniors themselves to be cautious.

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