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Intimate Partner Violence Among Surgeons: We are Not Immune

Intimate Partner Violence:



- 1 in 3 men and women in the United States are affected.
- Paucity of literature regarding physicians and surgeons.

Bliggenstorfer, et al. Association of Women Surgeons

882 Surgeons Surveyed: 61% reported history of IPV

57.3% Emotional abuse

35.6% Controlling behavior

Frequent

Alcohol use

9.6% Sexual abuse 13.1% Physical abuse

Risk factors for Intimate Partner Violence

Mental



OR 2.37

OR 2.02

Childhood abuse



OR 1.98

Female gender



OR 1.41

*P<0.05





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Barriers for Parental Leave During Training



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Web-based survey distributed to physician parent groups, social media, and graduate medical education database (10/2019 - 02/2020)

64 respondents became parents during training



74% Non Surgical



26% Surgical

Median parental leave: 6 weeks





76% → wished for more time off

Barriers Identified:

42% → perception / peer pressure **26%** → pressure from leadership Only **40%** had a formal institutional policy





Cultural and professional changes need to happen

We need to promote wellness and a healthy transition into parenthood