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Child Abuse at A Glance

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DEFINITION

TYPES OF ABUSE

- 1.PHYSICAL-Actual physical harm to child or doingany act which has potential to cause physical harm.
- 2.EMOTIONAL-Restrictions, Denigration, Intimidation, Ridicule, Bullying, Threat, Rejection etc.
- 3.SEXUAL ABUSE-Using child for sexual gratification.
- 4.NEGLECT-Not fulfilling child's need, for nutrition, health, shelter, education, emotional development and safe home environment, despite having adequate resources.

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Child Abuse or Maltreatment Constitutes all forms of physical and/or emotional ill treatment, sexual abuse, neglect or negligent treatment or commercial or other exploitation, resulting in actual or potential harm to the child's health, survival, development or dignity in the context of a relationship of responsibility, trust and power .{WHO,1999}

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