

APPENDIX C

WHAT IS GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE? Some examples

Definition from the National Action Plan to End Gender-Based Violence: "Violence based on gender norms and unequal power dynamics, perpetrated against someone based on their gender, gender expression, gender identity, or perceived gender. It takes many forms, including physical, economic, sexual, as well as emotional (psychological) abuse."

"While violence affects all people, some people are more at risk of experiencing violence because of various forms of oppression, such as racism, colonialism, sexism, homophobia, transphobia and ableism. Certain populations, based on key statistics, are more likely to experience GBV, including:

- women;
- young women and girls;
- Indigenous women, girls and Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Questioning, Intersex, and Asexual Plus (2SLGBTQIAP+) people;
- Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual (LGB) and people of other sexual orientation than heterosexual;
- Transgender and gender diverse people;
- women living in Northern, rural, and remote communities; and,
- women living with disabilities.

The intersection of any two or more of the above mentioned characteristics may increase a person's risk and vulnerability to violence."

From: www.canada.ca/en/women-gender-equality/gender-based-violence/about-gender-based-violence.html

