

If you believe you might be in an abusive relationship, here are some questions to ask yourself:

- 1) When you are with your partner, do you sometimes feel unsafe?
- 2) Do you have to watch what you do and say?
- 3) Does your relationship swing from really great to really problematic without ever being just OK?
- 4) Has your partner ever:
 - Told you where to go, what not to say or what to wear?
 - Tried to control how and when you spend money?
 - Gotten in the way of your medical care?
 - Told you not to hang out with certain people?
 - Threatened you physically?
 - Pushed, hit or held you down?
 - Threatened to out you to anyone?
 - Refused to have safer sex or forced you to have sex against your will?
 - Threatened to report you to an authority, such as immigration?

If you answered yes to some or all of these questions, you may be experiencing relationship violence.



the family place

Where family violence stops

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24-hour Crisis Hotline:
214-941-1991

How do you know if you are being abused?

1 in 4

lesbian, gay,
bisexual & transgender
people experience
relationship violence.



The Family Place is here to help.

**No one deserves
to be abused.**

Services for the LGBT Community

The Family Place has designed services specifically for victims of relationship violence from the LGBT community.

Our services are free and confidential, which removes the worry of being discovered by your abuser.

In our group setting, you'll learn that you aren't alone, and you'll find support from our staff and your peers.



Although abuse is often similar in LGBT and heterosexual relationships, perpetrators of relationship violence in LGBT relationships may also use society's bias against their partner's sexual orientation or gender identity to isolate and abuse.

These tactics may include:

- Threatening to out or outing the partner's sexual orientation or gender identity to their family, employer or community.
- Threatening to tell or telling others the partner's HIV/AIDS status.
- Reinforcing fears that no one will help because of sexual orientation or gender identity.

**If you're a victim
of relationship violence,
The Family Place is here to help.**

The Family Place knows that relationship violence doesn't discriminate.

Victims come to us from all walks of life with a common need for safety and support.

You are NOT alone.

Call us today
at
214-443-7701.

If you are in crisis or need emergency shelter, call our 24-hour hotline at 214-941-1991.

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