

Cultural Violence

Cultural violence occurs when a person is harmed as a result of practices that are part of her or his culture, religion or tradition.

Cultural violence includes, but is not limited to:

- Committing “honour” or other crimes against women in some parts of the world, where women especially may be physically harmed, shunned, maimed or killed for:
 - Falling in love with the “wrong” person
 - Seeking divorce
 - Infidelity
 - Committing adultery
 - Being raped
 - Practicing witchcraft
 - Being older
- Cultural violence may take place in some of the following ways:
 - Lynching or stoning
 - Banishment
 - Abandonment of an older person at hospital by family
 - Female circumcision
 - Rape-marriage
 - Sexual slavery
 - Murder