

Spiritual Violence

Spiritual (or religious) violence occurs when someone uses a person's spiritual beliefs to manipulate, dominate or control the person.

Spiritual violence includes, but is not limited to:

- Not allowing the person to follow her or his preferred spiritual or religious tradition
- Forcing a spiritual or religious path or practice on another person
- Belittling or making fun of a person's spiritual or religious tradition, beliefs or practices
- Using one's spiritual or religious position, rituals or practices to manipulate, dominate or control a person