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I8 Stalking as a Risk Factor in Domestic Violence Revisited

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After attending this presentation, the audience should understand the use of stalking as a violence risk factor in domestic violence cases, the types of stalking behaviors conducted, and the relationship between stalking behaviors, domestic violence behaviors, and suspect's demographics and violence, mental health, and criminal history.

This paper is an update to the AAFS 2001 presentation, "*Stalking as a Risk Factor in Domestic Violence*." This study analyzed the use of stalking behaviors by individuals who were court referred for domestic violence treatment. The relationships between stalking behaviors and the domestic violence perpetrator's demographic, mental health history, criminal history, general violence history, and domestic violence history variables were analyzed. Results indicate that a broad spectrum of stalking behaviors and levels of violence are perpetrated in domestically violent relationships. Implications for assessing violence risk in stalking cases are discussed.

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