

## **P-1478 - MENTAL HEALTH IN BATTERED WOMEN BY THEIR PARTNERS**

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**Introduction:** While any type of victimization can produce psychological effects, in the case of battered women by their partners, the impact of this increase due to the following characteristics: violence often involves a combination of abusive acts of physical, psychological and/or sexual kind; it usually has a progressive and chronic character; it occurs repeatedly and intermittent, within the home and the person whom ones lives with. The high impact on the health of those who suffer it are forced to consider this form of violence as one of the major issues of health and human rights.

**Objectives:** To determine the most relevant circumstances of abuse from a psychopathological perspective.

**Aims:** The goal of this study is examining which sociodemographic factors and specificity of abuse are associated with greater mental health.

**Methods:** Participants: 97 battered women. Instruments: GHQ-12, consists of 12 items, each one assessing the severity of a mental problem. Specific interview developed for the study (history of the problem and physical health).

**Results:** Battered women who are living with their partner have better health offending than non-living.

**Conclusions:** The results could be explained by the need to be alert and in good physical and mental strength to withstand the abusive situation.