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**The impact of COVID-19 on child and domestic abuse
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The COVID-19 pandemic has had significant impact worldwide and in order to contain and mitigate its damage, large parts of the world has had to impose lockdown measures which has restricted the ability of people to live their lives as they had been able to previously. The lockdown measures have meant that family members who were not normally spending significant amounts of time together are forced together and become isolated from the wider community. Resulting from this enforced isolation, troubling reports of child and domestic abuse cases has risen and the ability of organizations and authorities that help protect these vulnerable groups have been hindered. This special issue will focus on lessons learned from around the globe in relation to effective practices, and also the challenges faced in preventing the rise of such abuse cases and to protect the vulnerable people who are not able to escape their tormentors. By sharing information from across disciplines and settings, pandemic-specific prevention and child and domestic protection practices can be informed.

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