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Title: The Physicians Unique Role in Preventing Violence: A Overview of Aetiology and Treatment from a Neurobiological Perspective

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Sabina Alam PhD
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Dear Dr. Alam;

The problem of interpersonal violence has been addressed by a few physicians in practice and in academia, but up to now this area has been ignored by most practitioners. Few problems that the clinician could address would have more impact on a patient’s well being, but few problems have been more neglected. This needs to change. There a tremendous unmet need for physicians who are willing to identify, diagnose and treat individuals with what is often termed “intermittent explosive disorder”.

This article is an attempt to appeal to the generalist and the specialist with an interest in general medicine, with the hope that they will begin to address this problem in their patients. This article is not intended for a specialty journal. It has been re-written in the format of a “debate” type of article at your request.

Thank you very much for your interest and kind words about our paper.

Sincerely;

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