

## Intimate Partner Sexual Violence at the Intersections: Examples of Lived Experience

- Lesbian women may struggle to identify their experience of IPSV as violence given gender norms which position women as incapable of sexual assault.
- Sex workers may be in a relationship with an intimate partner who controls their choices at work.
- Women with disabilities may be dependent on an intimate partner for assistance and particularly vulnerable to sexual assault within this relationship.
- Women with HIV or who have partners with HIV can face significant health consequences when IPSV interferes with their capacity to negotiate condom use.
- Women living in rural/remote/northern communities may have limited access to domestic violence and sexual violence services.
- Racialized women may belong to groups with historical connections to state reproductive control which may exacerbate experiences of violence, particularly reproductive control which may exacerbate experiences of violence, particularly reproductive control by a partner.