

# Is Adolescent Sibling Violence a Precursor to College Dating Violence?

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**Objective:** To determine whether experiencing sibling violence in adolescence is a significant predictor for later dating violence. The influence of parent-to-child and parent-to-parent violence is also explored. **Methods:** A modified version of the CTS2 was administered to community college students. The survey instrument used the CTS2 psychological and physical assault subscales. **Results:** Adolescent sibling violence was a predictor for college dating violence. Males re-

ported experiencing more sibling violence than females did, but females reported experiencing more dating violence, both as perpetrators and victims. **Conclusion:** Further research is needed to improve understanding of the reasons for and the long-term consequences of sibling violence.

**Key words:** sibling violence, dating violence, conflict tactics scales

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