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- After being screened for IPV during her annual exam, Maria endorses physical abuse by her husband, specifically hitting and choking.



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Your patient has endorsed the occurrence of intimate partner violence. An accompanying family member and/or friend should be included during your ongoing assessment of the violence in your patient's life.

- True
- False





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Assessment Considerations

- Privacy
- Safety
- Confidentiality
- Primary Language
- Culture
- Validation





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Abuse History

- **Injury History**
 - Date, time, circumstances
- **Delays in treatment**
 - Date of injury = Date of treatment
- **Injuries = Explanation**
- **History, Pattern, Types of Abuse**
 - Sexual
 - Emotional
 - Verbal
 - Physical
 - **Lethality Indicators**
 - Weapons
 - Strangulation



OB GYN History



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- **Sexual Assault/Abuse**
- **Pregnancy status**
- **Birth Control Sabotage**
- **Pregnancy Coercion**
- **History of unintended pregnancy**
- **UTI**
- **Miscarriage**
- **STI/HIV**





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Psychosocial Assessment

- **Depression**
- **Anxiety**
- **Alcohol Use/Abuse**
- **Substance Abuse**
- **Suicidal Ideation**

