



BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS

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PROPOSED CAUSES OF BOUNDARY VIOLATIONS IN PHYSICIANS

Personal, psychological, relationship problems:

- History of childhood abuse
- Poor self-esteem or personal insecurity
- Need to control others
- Isolation
- Burnout
- Addiction (substance and sexual)
- Financial stresses
- Family problems

Major psychiatric disorders associated with sexual misconduct:

- Organic mental disorder
- Antisocial or narcissistic personality disorder
- Erotomanic delusional disorder
- Bipolar affective disorder
- Obsessive-compulsive disorder
- Atypical dissociative disorder
- Poor impulse control disorder
- Adjustment disorder (with disturbances of conduct)