Current Knowledge on Childhood Sexual Abuse in Indigenous Populations of Canada and the United States: A Literature Review [Abstract]

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This article reviews the scientific body of knowledge available on child sexual abuse (CSA) in indigenous communities. We found that there are four main areas of interest related to this issue: (1) rates of CSA among indigenous communities; (2) risk factors correlated with CSA; (3) the circumstances leading to low rates of disclosure of CSA, and (4) the long term consequences and repercussions associated with being a victim of CSA. The review concludes by discussing how important research and evidence-based practice are for improving the conditions of victims of CSA in indigenous communities.

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