

## Violence Assessment and Intervention: The Practitioner's Handbook

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- Focuses on practical measures rather than statistics and theory
- Covers cases worked by threat assessment teams, outlining what worked, what didn't, and why
- Shows how unknowledgeable responses can increase the risk of violence
- Describes how to handle individuals from a behavioral rather than psychological perspective
- Presents 30 pages of diagrams and charts to simplify concepts

If you are responsible for employees, they want and expect you to keep them safe on a regular basis. When you receive a call of potential violence, this book answers the question of what is the most effective way to take the initial data and make quick decisions about whether the situation requires immediate response with full resources or less intense response. *Violence Assessment and Intervention: The Practitioner's Handbook* gives you easy access to the information you need not only to handle emergency situations, but also to prevent them.

The principle focus of this book is not sociological theory, or even clinical assessment, but practical intervention, monitoring, and control of violence. It presents techniques for use in any situation, whether you are a mental health professional doing a phone intake from a victim of domestic violence, a corporate human resource or security person getting a call about an incident that just occurred, or a law enforcement officer encountering a potential suicide. Using flow charts and step-by-step instructions developed while handling thousands of cases, the authors give practical advice on how to recognize the signals of potential violence by individuals, identify probable victims, and assess escalation of the threat. Their experience in law enforcement enables them to advise when to call in outside resources and how to use them.

Written specifically for the practitioner, this book provides practical, effective methods of violence assessment and intervention. During this time of increasing concern about security, threat assessment, and profiling for violence prediction, *Violence Assessment and Intervention: The Practitioner's Handbook* gives you the tools you need to decrease the chances of violence and increase safety in your organization.