Study title:

The Earliest Warning Signs of Intimate Partner Violence

The primary focus of this research project is to discover: What are the very earliest warning signs of intimate partner violence? Secondarily, I'm interested in learning about thought processes that occur around the early warning signs, and risk factors for becoming involved in a violent relationship.

To research these, I am seeking to interview people about the earliest stages (from first meeting through early exclusivity) of their <u>relationship that turned violent</u> (whether it was the woman or man or both who turned violent). I am **also** seeking to interview—for comparison cases—<u>those who had a relationship that remained nonviolent but turned distressed</u> (whether or not the relationship has ended) and <u>those whose relationship has remained nonviolent and happy</u>. It is possible you might want to be interviewed about more than one relationship.

Since they are harder for me to find, I am extra interested in interviewing you if **1)** you kept a journal during the early phases; **2)** both members of the couple would agree to be interviewed separately or together; **3)** you are part of the LGBT—lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender—community. *Please* contact me.

What participating would involve:

- Completing an initial information packet, which can be done in writing or verbally.
- Initial interview and follow-up interviews, which all together may take 3-6 hours. These may be broken up into 2 or 3 shorter interviews depending on your schedule. The interviews will be audiotaped and/or videotaped, with your permission, and can be done in person or over the phone.

If you are interested in being a part of this research by telling the story of the earliest phases of your prior or present relationship, or you know someone who might be interested, please do contact me, anytime, or pass along my contact information. I look forward to hearing from you.

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