

## FAMILY VIOLENCE STAMP

<b>CA</b>					
<b>DV</b>					
<b>EA</b>					

Key to stamp:

CA=child abuse

DV=domestic violence (meaning intimate partner abuse)

EA=elder abuse (meaning abuse of an elder by anyone other than an intimate partner)

Way to use:

<b>CA</b>	6/97 past				
<b>DV</b>	6/97 +	5/98 past			
<b>EA</b>					

We have decided to use the following symbols (at a minimum):

+ = yes, ongoing abuse

- = no, no history of abuse

? = suspected but denied abuse

past = past abuse

The columns will be used for re-screening. The date of the screening is noted.

(Eg. In above example the patient was screened positively for prior child abuse and for ongoing intimate partner violence (dv) in 6/97. Patient was re-screened at every visit for ? ongoing abuse/injuries/state of mind for change. Screening one year later, after patient had separated from partner, was documented as past, but not ongoing, dv.)

Advantages of this stamp:

- fits in one yellow box of problem list
- can be stamped in all patient's charts regardless of age or gender—so you won't need different stamps for different charts
- allows for repeat screening
- allows for documentation of different types of family violence