

HARSH PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT & CHILD MALTREATMENT LINKED TO ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOURS IN ADULTHOOD



WHAT ARE ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOURS?
they are the symptoms of Antisocial Personality Disorder and include

- Repeated acts grounds for arrest
- Lying repeatedly and misleading others for pleasure
- Acting impulsively and failure to plan ahead
- Repeated aggression and irritability
- Ignoring safety of self and others
- Consistent irresponsibility

ADULTS WHO EXPERIENCED HARSH PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT AND/OR MALTREATMENT AS CHILDREN REPORTED MORE ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOURS

IF WE PREVENTED HARSH PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT & MALTREATMENT IN CHILDHOOD...
we may reduce antisocial behaviours in the USA by

45.5%
among men



47.3%
among women



*based on US data

LET'S PREVENT HARSH PHYSICAL PUNISHMENT & CHILD MALTREATMENT.

Full study by Afifi, Fortier, Sareen, & Taillieu (2019) in JAMA Network Open