

Potential Long-Term Effects of the Sexual Abuse of Males

- Anger
- Fear
- Homosexuality Issues
- Helplessness
- Isolation and Alienation
- Legitimacy
- Loss
- Masculinity Issues
- Negative Childhood Peer Relations
- Negative Schemas about People
- Negative Schemas about the Self
- Problems with Sexuality
- Self Blame/Guilt
- Shame/Humiliation

Using standardized measures of symptoms, researchers have found that men who were sexually abused in childhood, whether or not they seek out mental health services, may suffer from:

- Anxiety
- Depression
- Dissociation
- Hostility and anger
- Impaired relationships
- Low self-esteem
- Sexual dysfunction
- Sleep disturbance
- Suicidal ideas and behavior