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Resistance strategies and agency in adults who have experienced childhood domestic abuse.

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Introduction

Many facets of the experiences are unnoticed or distorted, particularly in relation to how one’s survival abilities develop among chaos and pain.

## Search Results

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violence  resilience  domestic
Pathways  resistance  experience
emphasise  experiences  studies
parental  spaces  used
oppression  definition  between
Hydén  Women's  active
Alexander  work  home
life  witnesses  found
being  own  important
factors  most  PTSD
affected  term  parent
exposure  most  DV
child's  control  lack
symptoms  focus  just
children  negative  resist
emotional  problems  see
parents  seeing  strategy
mothers  many
opportunities
empowerment  physical
strategies  many
passive  actions

Children
‘Exposed to’
‘Witnessed’
‘Heard/Seen’
‘Lived with’
‘Experienced’

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The experiences of children within the literature

- Children classed as invisible or secondary victims Daniel 2010, Eriksson & Näsman 2010
- Children seen as passive recipients Callaghan and Alexander 2015, Katz 2016
- Children negatively affected Black, Sussman and Unger 2010, Becker 2010, Daniel 2010
- Limitations and bias Anderson and Bang 2012, Katz 2016
- Coping strategies Anderson and Bang 2012, O’Brien 2013, Överlien and Hydén 2009
Adults who experienced domestic abuse as children

A more accurate indicator of agency and empowerment should take account of resistance strategies and how people mobilise themselves in response to the situation Hossain 2012

- **Survival strengths** Anderson and Bang 2012
- **A paradoxical resilience** Callaghan and Alexander 2015
- **Time and Space usage** Katz 2016, Anderson and Bang 2012, Callaghan and Alexander 2015
- **Active resistance** Anderson and Bang 2012, O’Brien 2013
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