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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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‘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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