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PSYCHOLOGICAL EFFECTS OF ONLINE BULLYING AMONG TEENAGERS

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ABSTRACT

Bullying and cyber bullying are prevalent across the globe, and they have severe ramifications for both people and communities. Despite the fact that the quantity of research papers on the subject has grown dramatically throughout the course of history, many concerns about the phenomenon remain unresolved today. In spite of the fact that technology offers many advantages to young people, it also has a dark side,' in that it may be exploited to do damage not just by certain adults, but also by young people themselves. Email, texting, chat rooms, mobile phones, mobile phone cameras, and online sites may all be used by young people to harass their classmates, and in fact, they often are. It has now become a worldwide issue, with many instances recorded in the United States, Canada, Japan, Scandinavia, and the United Kingdom, as well as in Australia and New Zealand, among other countries. Although it is becoming more prevalent, this issue has not yet gotten the attention it deserves and is practically missing from the study literature. This article examines definitional problems, the prevalence and potential effects of cyber bullying, as well as various preventive and intervention methods, all of which are discussed in detail.

KEYWORDS: Bullying, Cyber bullying, Symptom, Teenagers, Victims.

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