

## NCITI BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS AND STALKING INVESTIGATION UNITS - STALKER TYPOLOGY

### REJECTED STALKER (Mullen, et al, 1999)

- Stimulus: Breakdown in prior personal or intimate relationship.
- Target often a former Sexual Intimate.
- May target family members, friends, or current Intimates of Target.
- May appear ambivalent, angry, or revenge-seeking.
- Protracted stalking common; Stalking replaces former intimacy.
- Low self-esteem compensated by Stalking.

### INTIMACY SEEKER (Mullen, et al, 1999)

- Stimulus: Loneliness, lack of close confidante.
- Target is often a stranger or vague acquaintance.
- Bx fueled by severe mental illness involving delusions re: Target.
- Delusions are often eroto-manic.
- Motivational Intent: To establish emotional connection and relationship.
- Gratification comes from feelings of closeness derived from stalking relationship.
- Stalking pattern often sustained.

### INCOMPETENT SUITOR (Mullen, et al, 1999)

- Stimulus: Loneliness or lust.
- Targets are often Strangers; sometimes Acquaintances.
- Motivation is NOT a meaningful relationship.
- Motivation: a "Date" or short-term sexual relationship.
- Stalking pattern is usually shorter-term.
- If pattern does persist, it is because Stalker is oblivious or indifferent to Target's anxiety.
- Intellectual disabilities and poor social skills common.

### RESENTFUL STALKER

Stimulus: Feelings of humiliation, mistreatment, or otherwise wronged. Target are strangers, or acquaintances who the Stalker believes has mistreated him or her. Severe mental illness / paranoia common. Stalking is means of retaliation/revenge. Initial Motivational Intent: Revenge or "evening the score."  
Stalking maintained by sense of power and control. Stalker sees self as "fighting back."

### PREDATORY STALKER (Mullen, et al, 1999)

- Stimulus: Deviant sexual practices or interests.
- Predatory Stalkers usually male, with female Victims.
- Voyeurism is a common behavior.
- Information-gathering is a common precursor to sexual assault.
- Victim often unsuspecting; unaware of stalking for a period of time.
- Stalker is gratified by the sense of power that comes from targeting the Victim without the Victim's awareness.
- Extremely dangerous.

### PARENTAL STALKER (Johnson, 2018)

- Usually parent, guardian, or older adult influence. Targets formerly lived with Stalker, or are about to leave home.
- Stalker perceives Target as a soulmate.
- Prior or current incest is common.
- Jealous or disapproving of Target having other relationships.
- Stalking tactics may be covert or overt.
- Family is usually rigidly or chaotically enmeshed, with blurred boundaries.
- Stalker will often recruit other family members to assist in stalking behaviors, out of "concern."
- Stalker may anonymously victimize Target to influence her/him to return.
- Early goal: Submission and control.
- Exhibits traits of Rejected and Resentful Stalkers.