

## **Many partners do not recognize that they are engaging in escalating behaviour that increases their risk for violence**

Many partners who are abusive do not recognize that they are engaging in escalating behaviour that increases their risk for violence. Addressing Brian's risk to commit violence is one way to reduce overall risk.

A Canadian study with men with a high risk of seriously harming their partner showed that over 80% of men who were charged for domestic violence were shocked to discover they were being flagged as high risk by police.

If you have a relationship with Brian... if he is your friend, a brother or a neighbour that you care about, you might be the best person to talk with him about what you see happening. We always want to hold Brian accountable for his behaviour AND it is important to acknowledge that most men can change their behaviour. Only a small percentage of people are unreachable.

Later in the face to face training, we'll explore how to have that conversation.