

# HOMICIDE TIMELINE

## Pre-relationship history

Criminal record or allegations from former partners of control, domestic abuse or stalking. Victims often aware but do not always believe reports.

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## Early relationship

Relationship sped up with early declarations of love, possessiveness and jealousy.

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## Relationship

Relationship dominated by coercive control, usually with some of the high risk markers.

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## Trigger/s

An event occurs which threatens the control of the perpetrator. Usually separation or its potential. May be a physical or mental illness or financial problems.

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## Escalation

An increase in frequency or severity of control tactics, like suicide threats, begging, violence and stalking. Attempts to reinstate control.

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## Change in thinking

Feelings of revenge, injustice or humiliation may drive a decision to resolve issues, through either moving on, revenge, or potentially homicide.

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## Planning

May include buying weapons, seeking opportunities to get victim alone, stalking and threats.

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## Homicide

May involve extreme violence, suicide, suspicious death, missing person, multiple victims (including children).

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