

NURSES
MOST ETHICAL
MOST HONEST
MOST ABUSED

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**WHICH ONE IS
16X MORE LIKELY TO EXPERIENCE
WORKPLACE VIOLENCE?**

- A. FIREFIGHTERS**
- B. NURSES**
- C. MILITARY PERSONNEL**
- D. POLICE OFFICERS**

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**1 IN 4 NURSES
HAS BEEN PHYSICALLY
ASSAULTED AT WORK.**

THAT'S NOT OK.

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**A NURSE SHOULD
NEVER BE AFRAID AT
WORK.**

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**I'M A NURSE,
NOT A PUNCHING BAG.**

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**I HAVE BEEN SPUN
AROUND, GRABBED BY
THE THROAT AND THROWN
AGAINST THE WALL BY A
PATIENT.**

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**THE WORST, MOST DEGRADING
THING I HAVE HAD TO DODGE IS A
BLOODY NEEDLE BY A PATIENT WHO
KNOWINGLY HAS A COMMUNICABLE
DISEASE.**

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**A GROWN MAN ONCE
BRAGGED ABOUT
INTENTIONALLY "MISSING"
THE URINAL AND
PEEING ON MY FEET,
BECAUSE I PUT HIS BED
ALARM ON.**

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**A SURGEON THREW
A SCALPEL AT ME
WHILE THE
PATIENT WAS
SEDATED ON THE
TABLE.**

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I AM A HUMAN.
I AM SOMEBODY'S DAUGHTER, SISTER & FRIEND.

**VERY FEW THINGS SEPARATE ME FROM THE
PERSON I AM TENDING TO.**

**EVEN THOUGH MY OFFICIAL LICENSURE IS
REGISTERED NURSE - I'M A HUMAN,
JUST LIKE YOU.**

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**LAST YEAR, I WAS
SEXUALLY ASSAULTED BY
A DETAINEE AND NOW
I KNOW WHAT IT MEANS
TO HAVE A NEAR-DEATH
EXPERIENCE.**

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**I'VE BEEN
PUNCHED IN THE FACE,
BITTEN,
SLAPPED,
KICKED,
SPIT ON,
CUSSED AT,
GROPED,
SLAMMED AGAINST A WALL,
PINCHED,
KNEED IN MY STOMACH,
HEADBUTTED...**

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**I'VE HAD PATIENTS
(AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS)
THREATEN TO HIT ME, CALL THE
POLICE ON ME, AND
EVEN KILL ME.**

**ALL WHILE TRYING TO TAKE CARE
OF ANOTHER HUMAN BEING.**

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**PEOPLE TALK ABOUT HOW
AMAZING AND IMPORTANT
NURSES ARE AND HOW HARD WE
WORK BUT EVERY DAY, WE ARE
ALSO **ABUSED.****

**IF YOU TRULY THINK WE'RE SO
GREAT, **PROTECT US.****

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