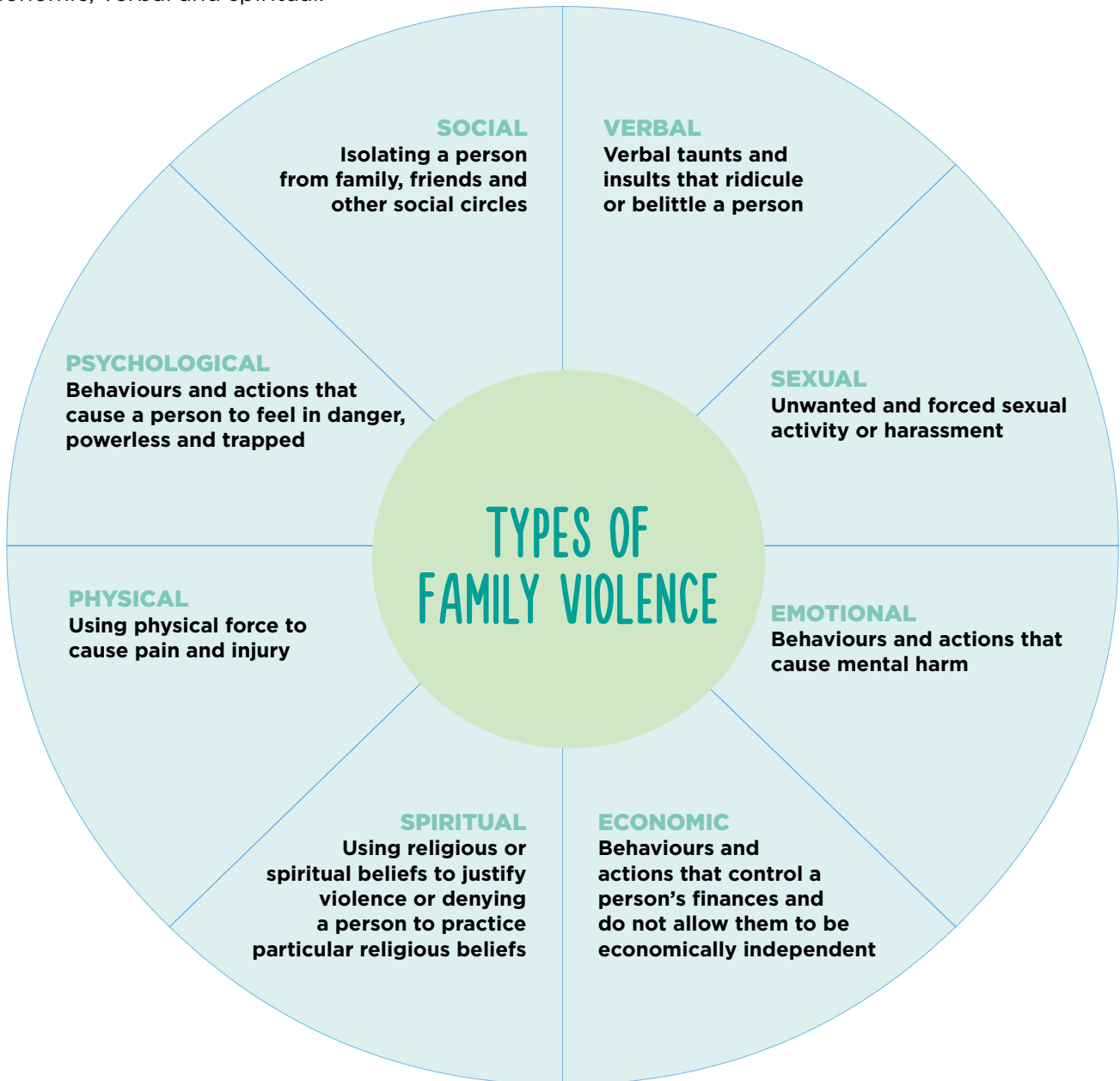


FACT SHEET: FAMILY VIOLENCE

Family violence is any behaviour that is physically, sexually, emotionally or psychologically abusive, threatening, or in any other way controls or dominates the family member or makes them fearful. Violence is used to gain power and control over a family member.

Violence is not just physical. Family violence can also be sexual, emotional, psychological, social, economic, verbal and spiritual.



Source: National Council to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children. (2009). Background paper to Time for Action: The National Council's Plan for Australia to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children, 2009-2021. National Council to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children. Canberra.

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