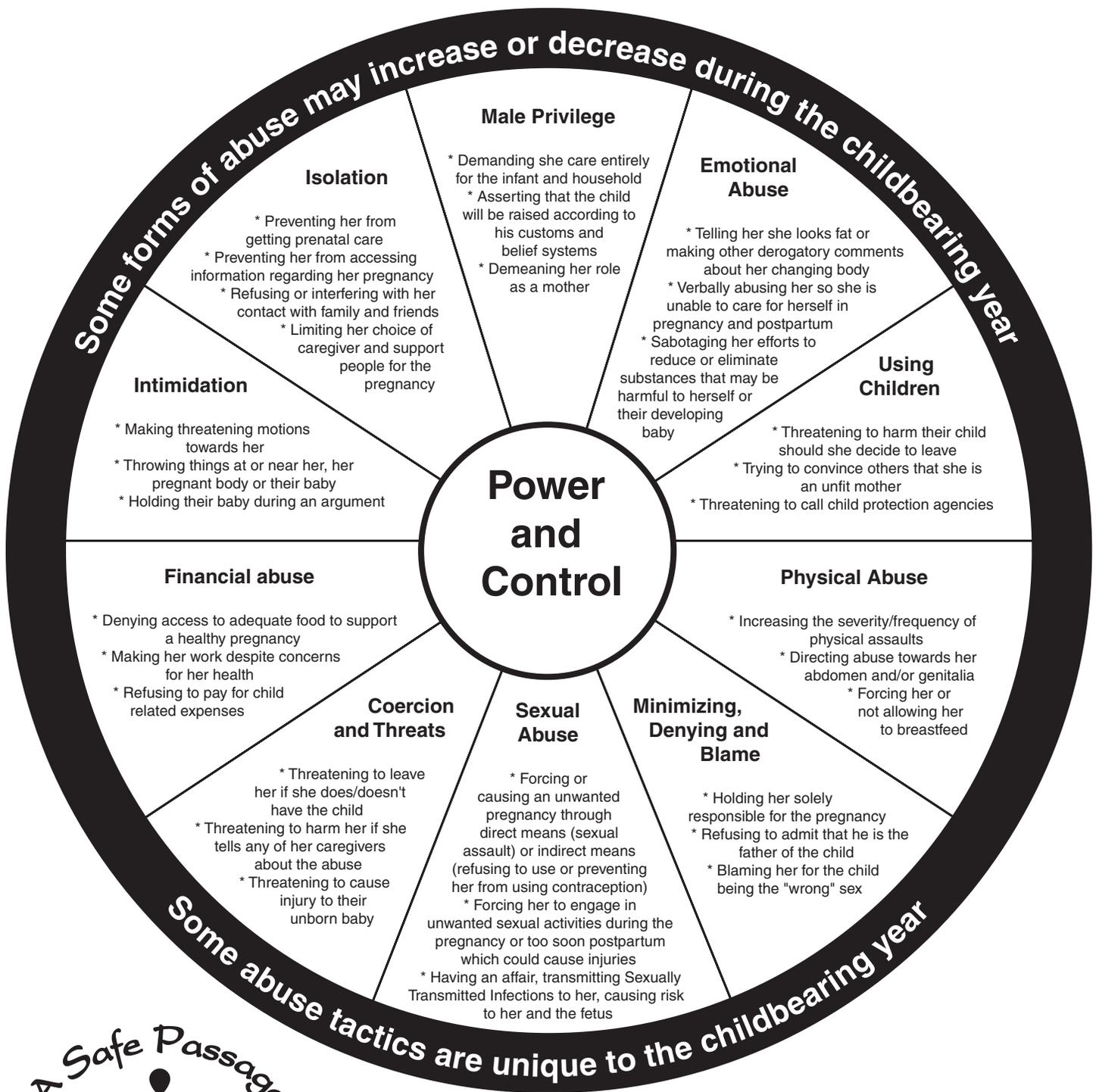


# Woman Abuse in the Childbearing Year

## Power and Control Wheel



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Although one of the best predictors of abuse in pregnancy is previous abuse, as many as 40%\* of women who reported abuse in pregnancy, stated that the abuse started when they became pregnant. Abuse in pregnancy involves tactics that are unique to the childbearing year during a time when women are more physically and emotionally vulnerable.

\*Statistical reference: Statistics Canada: *Violence Against Women Survey: Survey Highlights 1993. Shelf Tables 1-25*

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