

**THE IMPACT OF ALCOHOL ABUSE ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE IN
ISINYA DISTRICT OF KAJIADO COUNTY.**

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Abstract:

The world is faced with immense alcohol related challenges perhaps like no other time of the past. And this explains the increase in social, psychological and economic problems in society today. According to an annual report by the World Health Organization (WHO) published in September, 2010, more than 3 per cent of the world population are affected by alcohol abuse. This group of people suffer from a variety of alcohol related problems. According to the United Nations Drug Control Programme (UNDCP), Kenya is one of the countries most affected by the alcohol peril with one of its most geographically vast districts, Kajiado Central District among leading as a hub for alcohol abusers. The Kenya Institute of Drug Abuse (KIDA), June 2008, attributes rampant cases of alcohol abuse to a combination of factors such as poverty, peer influence and illiteracy. The study involves the impact of alcoholism on domestic violence in Isinya District of Kajiado County. The research design for this study is the cross-sectional social survey which entails collecting information from respondents about the influence of alcohol abuse on domestic violence. The Study was conducted in Kajiado Central District and a total population of 319 respondents were surveyed and a sample seven (27) respondent were selected. Some respondents interviewed from each of the randomly selected 57 out of the total from the sub-Locations in the District. Key respondents include 4 assistant-chiefs from selected 20 sub-locations. Other key respondents included the OCS kitengela police station, 16 medical officers, 19 community leaders, and 24 religious leaders. Purposive sampling techniques was used to get the said key informants. Recommendation were given from statistical analysis of the data collected from despondence by use of pie charts, tables, and graphs.