Interpersonal violence and bladder pain in women

A team including a VA researcher studied nearly 2,000 women and found that those who had been exposed to interpersonal violence—including sexual assault—or had PTSD symptoms were more likely to experience bladder pain and/or urinary tract infections. The researchers say “interpersonal violence and PTSD may be under-recognized markers of risk for urologic pain and infections, highlighting a need for trauma-informed care of these issues.”