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Agnes Tiwari is Head and Professor of School of Nursing of the University of Hong Kong. Her work on evidence-based intervention models has been cited as key evidence to inform policy, practice and research to prevent violence against women and children globally, for example, the Institute of Medicine Forum on Global Violence Prevention and the WHO Guidelines on Health Sector Response to Violence against Women. Her recent work which incorporates the concepts of Chinese Medicine in promoting mindfulness (e.g. qigong) has been well received by Chinese women experiencing partner violence. More recently, she has begun tackling the challenge of elder abuse prevention in Chinese society. Her research on promoting harmony in family relationships has gained increasing recognition in Mainland China. She has been invited to present keynote speeches in conferences and lectures in universities in Mainland China on topics related to promoting harmony and reducing conflicts in Chinese families. In Hong Kong, she has been providing services to abused women and their children in the community and battered women's shelters for more than a decade. She developed the first graduate level courses on Health Care for Survivors of Family Violence in Hong Kong back in 2000. Working with client, professionals and voluntary helpers in the community, she has demonstrated that families are better served through collaboration of health and social care professionals, and through the involvement of the community in promoting primary prevention of family violence. In recognition of her contributions to research, professional services and education on family violence prevention, she was selected as a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing in 2010, and received the awards of Excellence in Research by the Nursing Network on Violence Against Women International in 2011 and Women of Influence 2011 by the American Chamber of Commerce in Hong Kong. She has been awarded the Fulbright Senior Research Scholar (2015-2016).