

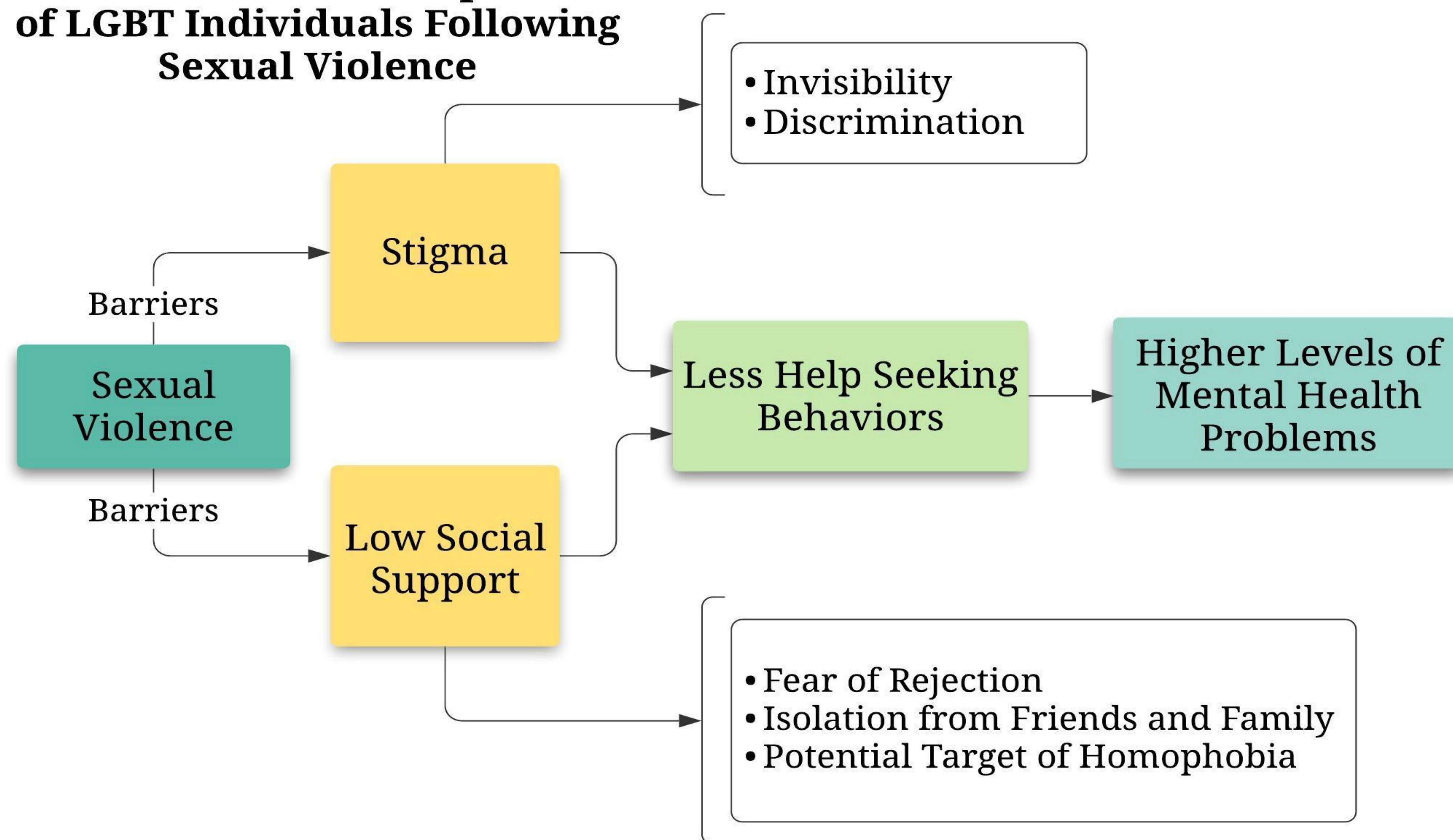
Introduction

There is little known about the prevalence of **Sexual Violence (SV)** and its post-victimization experiences among the **LGBT population**.

Purpose: To review the existing literature to better understand factors that impact the mental health of LGBT individuals following sexual violence.

Sexual Violence is unfortunate and recovery is difficult. Empirically studying the experiences of marginalized communities like the **LGBT** is important, to eventually do away with the existing barriers to recovery.

Theoretical Model of Experiences of LGBT Individuals Following Sexual Violence



Results and Future Directions

- Need for empirical research prompted by most studies including qualitative analyses, case reports, or small sample sizes.
- SV research often assumes participants are heterosexual and does not assess for differences across sexual orientations.
- Few studies have strived to identify causal factors that lead to lowered probability of LGBT individuals seeking help after SV.

Review of Factors Impacting Mental Health of LGBT Individuals following Sexual Violence

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