Integrity-abuse Shaping of the Intimate Partner: Behaviors, Patterns, and Ongoing Progressive Conditions (Summary Table)

Before the Discovery of the Secret Basement

- Lying/lying by omission
- Blaming
- Deceiving, hiding, manipulating the truth
- Gaslighting (intentional psychological manipulation of the victim's reality)
- Enteric system (second) brain) incongruence (two separate realities exist)
- Covert or overt blaming of the intimate partner or relationship
- Cultivating negative narratives in order to justify DCSR (corroding perceptions of intimate partner, relationship, family system)
- Relational neglect, withdrawal, rejection (including sexual)

- Relational integrity erosion
- Relational (including family) risk-taking and endangerment
- Covert tactics of domination and control
- Intentional withholding of life-altering information necessary for survival (leaving victim in state of disempowerment, without a viable escape route)
- Intentional withholding of relevant information (e.g., about the DCSR) in treatment (individual or couples)

During the Discovery of the Secret Basement

- Lying/lying by omission
- Deception, hiding. manipulating the truth
- Gaslighting (intentional psychological manipulation of the victim's reality)
- Externalizing responsibility
- Blaming the intimate partner or relationship for the DCSR
- Denying the problem or the disorder and its actual consequences
- Continued sexual-relational violation behavior (overt infidelity or DCSR)
- Minimizing

- Rationalizing
- Justifying
- Projecting
- Denying
- Covering-up
- Partial disclosures
- Staggered disclosures
- Revising facts and history
- Obstructing
- Stonewalling
- Refusing to cooperate or speak
- Technical manipulation
- Verbal abuse or diminishment
- Intimidation and threatening

- Being aggressive or passively aggressive
- Equivocating
- Withdrawing
- Abandonment
- Feigning innocence or ignorance
- Assuming the role of victim
- Fault-finding
- Demanding immediate equality
- Frequent or rapid integrity violations or abusive actions
- Shaping the narrative
- Defying logic or reason as a protective tactic

- Shifting focus to the abuser's pain
- Selective attention or memory
- Callous/cruel attitudes and actions towards victim
- Lack of demonstrated remorse
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- Integrity abuse towards the victim (e.g., denying facts) in context of treatment (couples)

Aftermath of the Secret Basement

- Lying/lying by omission
- Deception, hiding. manipulating the truth
- Gaslighting (intentional psychological manipulation of the victim's reali
- Externalizing responsibility
- Blaming the intimate partner or relationship
- Denying the problem or the disorder and its long-term consequences
- Demonstrating resistance to dealing with painful realities

- Violating agreements or commitments
- Inability or unwillingness to be accountable
- Refusing to participate in repair or healing
- Inability to provide valuable care and support
- Pathologizing the victim's reactions
- Demanding that the victim get over it and move on (demonstrated impatience)
- Sexual entitlement and demands (violations)

- Assumptions and expectations of impunity
- Callous and insensitive attitudes towards the victim
- Continued engagement of the DCSR
- Continued domination and control (covert and/ or overt)
- Continued social misrepresentation
- Continued lack of demonstrated remorse or empathy

Resisting, avoiding, prematurely terminating, or abandoning treatment