Additional file 2 - Study plan and measurements

Measurement	Instrument	Baseline	3	6			
			month	month			
HPA axis activity							
Diurnal cortisol variation	Salivettes, Ultra performance liquid chromatography – tandem mass spectrometry (UPLC-MSMS)	•	•	•			
- CAR	Salivettes, UPLC-MSMS	•	•	•			
Mean cortisol concentration	Salivettes, UPLC-MSMS	•	•	•			
Diurnal cortisol secretion covariates	Saliva collection diary	•	•	•			
Experience of violence and abuse							

Measurement	Instrument	Baseline	3	6	
			month	month	
DVA	Composite Abuse Scale (CAS)	•	•	•	
Childhood abuse	Childhood Trauma Questionnaire (CTQ)	•			
Mental health					
Anxiety disorders	Generalized Anxiety Disorder (GAD-7)	•	•	•	
- Depression	Patient Health Questionnaire Depression Scale (PHQ-9)	•	•	•	
Post Traumatic Stress Disorder(PTSD)	PTSD Symptom Scale: Self-Report Version (PSS-SR)	•	•	•	
Functional disability and impairment	Sheehan Disability Scale (SDS)	•	•	•	

Measurement	Instrument	Baseline	3	6	
			month	month	
Perception of stress	Perceived Stress Scale (PSS-10)	•	•	•	
Physical health					
Abuse-related injuries and physical	Miller Abuse Physical Symptom Injury Assessment Scale	•	•	•	
conditions	(MAPSAIS)				
Standing height	KaWe tape, Germany	•			
– Weight	SECA scales, Germany	•	•	•	
Socio-demographics	Socio-demographic questionnaire	•			