Figure 1 Flow chart showing identification of relevant observational studies in relation to workplace violence Records identified from Records removed before screening: Identification Duplicate records removed (n = 838) databases (n = 3513) Records excluded (n = 2401) Duplicate article 1 Records screened Research type difference 59 (review, qualitative search) Different region 107 (n = 2675)Different group 379 Different subject 1855 Screening Reports assessed for Reports excluded (n = 199) eligibility (n = 274) Duplicate article 7 Research type difference 34 (review, qualitative search, likert type scale) Different region 3 Different group 16 Different subject 123 Inaccessible to full text 3 Studies included in review Time of violence uncertain 1

No prevalence data 6 Sample not suitable 6

(n = 75)