ABSTRACT

Child abuse and neglect are serious global problems and can be in the form of physical, sexual, emotional or just neglect in providing for the child’s needs. These factors can leave the child with serious, long-lasting psychological damage. In the present case report, a 12-year-old orphaned boy was physically abused by a close relative who caused actual bodily and emotional trauma to the boy. After satisfactorily managing the trauma and emotional effects to the patient, in addition to the counseling services provided to the caregiver, the patient made a steady recovery. He was also referred to a child support group for social support, and prepare him together with his siblings for placement in a children’s home in view of the hostile environment in which they were living.