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## Highlights

- Psychiatric comorbidity in PTSD patients reporting child abuse is more severe
- Prevalence of panic disorder/agoraphobia is higher in PTSD with child abuse
- Child abuse is associated with more hyperarousal, depression and psychotic symptoms
- PTSD patients reporting child abuse may be a subgroup with a more severe disorder



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