THE PREVENTION COLLABORATIVE
Feminist inspired. Evidence driven
Why we came together...

• Understanding of violence prevention is limited in many settings
• Emerging knowledge about what works to prevent violence is not reaching activists or those implementing programmes
• Once off trainings or “evidence briefs” are not sufficient to bridge this “knowledge to practice” gap
Our Purpose

• Our goal is to expand and improve violence against women programming and advocacy, especially in the Global South

• We work to strengthen the ability of key actors to deliver cutting edge violence prevention programming, informed by research-based evidence, practice-based learning, and feminist principles

• Initial focus: VAW in the family (especially IPV) from a life-course perspective
Our Strategic Domains

PRACTICE COMMUNITY (ACCOMPANIMENT)

KNOWLEDGE PLATFORM

ADVOCACY AGENDA
Practice Community
(Technical Accompaniment)

• Prevention Mentors drawn from gender consultants, social development advisors, NGO staff

• Strengthened with state of the art information on prevention programming (through community of practice and annual meetings)

• Upon request, paired with local implementing partners for long-term, on-site and telephone support

• Theory of change, formative research, programme design, strategic advocacy, monitoring and evaluation
Knowledge Platform

• Designed to meet the needs of practitioners
• Highly curated - “Less is more”
• Evidence synthesized into user-friendly briefs, infographics
• Both research-based evidence and practice-based insights
• Searchable archive of curricula, prevention programs, cost information
• Staffed to provide “bespoke” assistance by phone or email
Advocacy Agenda

• Promote a new, inspiring prevention narrative to elevate prevention among donors, governments and stakeholders

• Each year, pursue 3-5 advocacy goals identified through consultation and refreshed annually

• Multiple individuals and organizational voicing similar ideas creates “echo chamber” of demands

• 1st year goal: Embrace diverse forms of knowledge. Value practice-based learning in addition to research-based evidence; Continue to innovate
We are focused on advancing VAW prevention, with all of our work in service to the violence prevention field and women’s movements. We are committed to being truly responsive to the field rather than promoting an agenda, an individual or organization.
Generosity of Spirit

We assume the best of members, partners, and others. In our words and actions we will demonstrate respect, humility, kindness and solidarity. We see ourselves as learners, recognize that everyone brings something of value and as a group will maintain a growth mindset.
Agility

We strive to be non-bureaucratic, flexible, and to avoid unnecessary hierarchies. Our energies will focus more on ideas, programming and advancing prevention than building an institution; with people moving in and out and roles and responsibilities shifting over time and in response to needs and priorities.
Knowledge Products

• Accessible summaries of key studies
• Evidence syntheses - What do we know about?
• Practice briefs -- What have we learned about?
• Personal stories and opinion pieces
• Research: The Basics
• Prevention: The Basics
Opportunities to Engage

**Member**
- Endorses goals, values and programme philosophy of the Collaborative;
- Agrees to advance advocacy agenda as possible within their own setting;
- Receives newsletter, etc.

**Prevention Mentor**
- Individual consultants who become vetted mentors available for technical or advocacy accompaniment

**Collaborators**
- Organizational partners that enter into time limited projects with the Collaborative, including organisations seeking technical accompaniment
Opportunities to Engage

Leadership

- Stewardship Committee
- Council of Advisors
- Bridges to other VAW communities and others outside of the field
- Ombudsperson
- Domain leads - Accompaniment Lead, Advocacy Lead, Learning Lead, Knowledge Managers
The Prevention Collaborative serves practitioners and social movements working to prevent violence against women in the Global South. We collaborate with others in the anti-violence field including researchers, international organizations, and service providers.

OUR VISION

To work to strengthen the ability of key actors in the Global South to deliver cutting edge violence prevention interventions informed by research-based evidence, practice-based learning and feminist principles. We use three primary strategies to achieve our goals:

A PRACTICE COMMUNITY
At the heart of the Collaborative is our technical accompaniment programme that provides ongoing mentoring and capacity building to strengthen the prevention programming and advocacy of organisations working to prevent violence against women.

A KNOWLEDGE PLATFORM
The Collaborative will launch a web-based “Knowledge Platform” that will provide curated and synthesised evidence and learning designed to serve the needs of prevention activists and practitioners. The platform will also provide “bespoke” assistance on programme design, model curricula,

AN ADVOCACY AGENDA
The Collaborative is shaping a new narrative on prevention to inspire action and increase commitment to preventing violence against women. Our collectively defined advocacy agenda will challenge key constraints in the current prevention field and inspire more actors to get involved.

Find out more about how the Prevention Collaborative can inspire and support you

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SIGN UP

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