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Today's SVRI Update includes the following: [Summaries directly taken or adapted from source]

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I. Journal articles

Please note, to obtain a full copy of a journal article you may write to the author given as the contact person by the respective publishing house to request a copy.

[Special series: Faith-based healthcare, The Lancet, 2015](#): An estimated 84% of the world's population is religiously affiliated. Faith is a powerful force in the lives of individuals and communities worldwide. This Series argues that building on the extensive experience, strengths, and capacities of faith-based organisations (eg, geographical coverage, influence, and infrastructure) offers a unique opportunity to improve health outcomes. [Source: The Lancet].

[Protective factors for youth exposed to violence in their communities: A review of family, school, and community moderators. Ozer E.J, Lavi I, Douglas L, Wolf J.P. J Clin Child Adolesc Psychol, 26:1-26, 2015](#): This review provides a comprehensive investigation of the pattern and strength of findings in the literature regarding the environmental moderators of the relationship between exposure to community violence and mental health among children and adolescents. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

[Relationship between single and multiple perpetrator rape perpetration in South Africa: A comparison of risk factors in a population-based sample. Jewkes R, Sikweyiya Y, Dunkle K and Morrell R. BMC Public Health, 15:616, 2015](#): Prevention requires an understanding of whether it is a context specific intensification of single perpetrator rape, or a distinctly different practice of different men. This paper aims to address this question. [Source: 60percent].

["One problem became another": Disclosure of rape-related pregnancy in the abortion care setting. Perry R, Murphy M, Haider S, Harwood B. Womens Health Issues, ePub, 2015](#): This article explores the experiences of women who disclosed that their pregnancies resulted from rape in the abortion care setting, as well as the experiences of professionals involved in care of women with rape-related pregnancy. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Rape and posttraumatic stress disorder \(PTSD\): Examining the mediating role of explicit sex-power beliefs for men versus women. Snipes D.J, Calton J.M, Green B.A, Perrin P.B, Benotsch E.G. J. Interpers. Violence, ePub, 2015](#): This article examines beliefs about sex and power as potential mediators of the relationship between rape and PTSD symptoms for men versus women. [Source: SafetyLit].

["In rape cases we can use this pill": A multi-methods assessment of emergency contraception knowledge, access, and needs on the Thailand-Burma border. Hobstetter M, Sietstra C, Walsh M, Leigh J, Foster A.M. Int. J. Gynaecol. Obstet, ePub, 2015](#): This article evaluates availability, service delivery, and barriers to access to emergency contraceptive pills (ECPs) along the Thailand-Burma border. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Systematic review of the prevalence of suicidal ideation and behaviour in minors who have been sexually abused. Pérez-González A, Pereda N. Actas Esp. Psiquiatr, 43\(4\): 149-158, 2015](#): This systematic review was made of published studies on the prevalence of suicide among childhood victims of sexual abuse in the European Union. [Source: SafetyLit].

II. Online publications and resources

[The sexual abuse to prison pipeline: The girls' story. Kaleem M, Kay J.F, Washington S and Younger T. Georgetown Law Center on Poverty and Inequality, 2015](#) (pdf): This report focuses on how the experience of sexual abuse creates pathways for girls into the juvenile justice system – pathways that often lack the proper services and resources to address the issues that girls face. [Source: PAHO/WHO].

[Harmful connections: Examining the relationship between violence against women and violence against children in the South Pacific. UNICEF and UNFPA, 2015](#) (pdf): This report is a literature review that aims to develop a deeper understanding of what is known about the connection between violence against women and violence against children (VAC) in the South Pacific Island countries. [Source: GSDRC Bulletin].

[New toolkit available for post-2015 advocacy to end violence against children](#): Together for Girls is excited to announce the launch of its new post-2015 advocacy toolkit: **Eliminating**

Violence Against Children: An Indicator for Success. The toolkit aims to raise awareness among global influencers, country government leaders and civil society members in support of Target 16.2 of the SDGs, which proposes to end all forms of violence against children. The toolkit—which includes a video, four fact sheets and social media graphics—offers a simple way to influence your country and community to take action and invest in stopping violence. [Source: Together for Girls].

[Trafficking and protection: Theorising reintegration and defining success. Bearup L. Deakin University, 2015:](#) Grounded upon research in Cambodia, a theory of ‘reintegration’ is proposed for victims of trafficking and sexual violence and benchmarks proposed for assessing reintegrative success. Drawing upon a cosmopolitan conception of shared vulnerability, it is argued that a life lived with dignity chiefly depends upon access to either modernist or traditional forms of reciprocal recognition. Two divergent, yet equally valid pathways are identified in relation to the attainment of reintegrative success. [Source: Author].

[ANROWS Footprints Issue 03, 2015:](#) In this edition of Footprints, the editors draw attention to the experiences and impacts of gender-based violence against women with disabilities and women from culturally and linguistically (CALD) communities. [Source: ANROWS].

[What does it take? Developing informed and effective tertiary responses to violence and abuse of women and girls with disabilities in Australia: State of knowledge paper.](#)

[ANROWS, 2015:](#) This state of knowledge paper outlines tertiary responses to violence and abuse for women and young women with disabilities; and what the evidence says about the effectiveness of tertiary responses for women and young women with disabilities. [Source: ANROWS].

III. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Research opportunity: Endline survey - Ending school-related gender-based violence in Malawi.](#) The purpose of the endline survey is to assess changes in the practices, attitudes, and knowledge around the issue of school-related gender based violence in Nsanje District over the past three years. The endline survey will take place in September, 2015, for a total of 17 days. Consultants who are interested in and able to continue on in carrying out the final evaluation of the project is preferred, which is expected to take an additional 13 days. Expressions of interest close: 27 July 2015. [Source: Concern Worldwide].

[Re-advertisement: Request for proposals on the operational evaluation of UNICEF gender-based violence in emergencies programming in 3-5 countries - Intervention-specific evaluation.](#) This evaluation aims to capitalise on the experience and lessons from across UNICEF COs, programmes and interventions to produce evidence-based technical and programming materials for the UNICEF GBViE Programme Resource Pack; and to simultaneously provide COs with real time (immediate) feedback on humanitarian response to GBV. Applications close: 22 July 2015. [Source: WHO].

[Re-advertisement: Request for proposals on operational evaluation of UNICEF gender-based violence in emergencies programming in 3-5 Countries](#): Whole-of-programme evaluation. This evaluation will be a programme-wide evaluation of UNICEF's emergency response to GBV within 3-5 COs. Applications close: 22 July 2015. [Source: WHO].

IV. Advocacy and awareness-raising

[University of Bedfordshire: Tell us what you're doing!](#) Are you a young person (under 25 years of age)? Have you taken part in an initiative to raise awareness about sexual violence? Have you been involved in making a film or app, delivering training or contributing to an exhibition on sexual violence? Have you been involved in creating resources for other young people or professionals? If yes, then we want to hear from you! Please send submissions to Samantha Wilson samantha.wilson@beds.ac.uk and cc in claire.cody@beds.ac.uk by 31 July 2015. [Source: University of Bedfordshire].

V. News

[Children increasingly becoming the spoils of war, Inter Press Service News Agency, 14 July 2015](#): Whether in Palestine, Ukraine or Somalia, wars result in millions of children threatened by the brutality of armed conflict. The numbers speak for themselves: more than 300,000 child soldiers are currently exploited in situations of armed conflict and six million children have been severely injured or permanently disabled, according to UNICEF.

[LGBT students face more sexual harassment and assault, and more trouble reporting it, Huffington Post, 14 July 2015](#): It was September of their sophomore year at Tufts University in 2012 when John Kelly went to a party and saw someone who had sexually assaulted them only two weeks earlier. The party was at a "queer student's apartment," said Kelly, who prefers the pronouns "they," "them" and "their" and who identifies as genderqueer, meaning their gender identity does not align with traditional binary definitions of male or female.

[Domestic violence in Turkey reaches boiling point, Deutsche Welle, 11 July 2015](#): A series of violent attacks against women in Turkey has put the entire country on edge - with little hope for change. Could one woman's act of defiance begin to challenge an established culture of patriarchy?

[Perspective: Women, war, and reflections on Srebrenica, Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty, 11 July 2015](#): The issue of women and war has never been more prominent on the international agenda than today. Horrifying accounts of abducted Nigerian schoolgirls, hundreds of women and girls in Islamic State (IS) slave markets, and scores of women "disappeared" in Syria leave no room for doubt that war is no longer -- if it ever was -- confined to soldiers on the battlefield.

[For Ugandan children born of war, the struggle continues, IRIN News, 7 July 2015](#): Actual combat may have ended almost a decade ago in northern Uganda, but for many women abducted by the rebel Lord's Resistance Army and the children they conceived in captivity,

the war is far from over. Sexual exploitation, beatings, stigmatization and community rejection, lack of medical care and education, and deprivation of land rights are among the challenges faced by those who escaped from or were released by the LRA.

VI. Events

[Webinar: Building movement synergy - Engaging advocates and movement makers in primary prevention, 28 July 2015](#). This webinar will explore strategies for building prevention capacity and sustaining and expanding prevention-based movements. Speakers will discuss how the process of investing in primary prevention supports a more robust service-delivery system as well as strategies for effectively messaging to and engaging movement makers and allies in the work to prevent intimate partner violence. [Source: PreventIPV Council].

[Webinar: Engaging young people in online safety prevention projects. Challenges and good practices from the Make-IT-Safe project in Belgium, 30 July 2015](#). This webinar will introduce the Make-IT-Safe project and explore how young people got involved in preventing online abuse and exploitation. To register for this webinar and receive joining instructions please email Samantha Wilson at samantha.wilson@beds.ac.uk. [Source: University of Bedfordshire].

[Young people affected by sexual violence as change-makers in prevention efforts, 28 September 2015, Berkshire, United Kingdom](#). This inter-institutional, inter-disciplinary one day colloquium will explore and reflect on the potential benefits, risks and opportunities of involving young people affected by sexual violence in efforts to prevent sexual violence. This will include exploring how young people have been involved in informing policy, practice and research. [Source: University of Bedfordshire].

[Training course: Reporting safely in crisis zones, 29 October – 1 November 2015, New York, USA](#). The Dart Center is offering an intensive four-day crisis reporting course at Columbia Journalism School to prepare journalists to think critically about how to work safely and effectively in volatile situations such as war, conflict and disaster zones, with an emphasis on risk assessment and harm prevention. Applications are now open. [Source: Dart Center Quarterly].

For more events visit: <http://www.svri.org/calendar.htm>

VII. Vacancies

[AWID Women Human Rights Defenders – Program Coordinator](#) / AWID / Global / Closing date: 2 August 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender and GBV Technical Adviser](#) / Save the Children / London, UK / Closing date: 22 July 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Short Term Gender, Education and SEA Consultant](#) / Right to Play / Toronto, Canada / Closing date: 24 July 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Training and Business Development Officer](#) / AVA (Against Violence and Abuse) / London, United Kingdom / Closing date: 29 July 2015. [Source: AVA].

[Disability Program Officer](#) / Women's Refugee Commission / New York, USA with frequent travel / Closing date: 31 July 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Consultancy Opportunity: Action Research & Evaluation](#) / ActionAid / Global / Closing date: 7 August 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Short-term Trainer and Consultant in Advocacy Work for Women's Rights](#) / medica mondiale / Liberia / Closing date: 9 August 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Senior Regional Legal Adviser for Africa](#) / The Center for Reproductive Rights / Nairobi, Kenya / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Associate Director of Gender Violence Prevention and Education & Director of Accommodations for Students with Disabilities](#) / Bowdoin College / Brunswick, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

Sexual violence is a global issue that requires coordinated evidence-based responses.

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