



Dear SVRI List Members

This SVRI Update contains a variety of sexual violence related research and resources. If you would like to have your sexual violence related resources included in the Update, please send your materials to svri@mrc.ac.za. For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit www.svri.org. Please note that the SVRI Updates are also available on our [Facebook](#) page.

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[I. Call for Abstracts: SVRI Forum 2017-Partnerships for policy action](#)

We are pleased to announce our fifth international conference, the SVRI Forum 2017: Partnerships for policy action to take place from 18– 21 September 2017, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

SVRI Forum 2017 is a vibrant, informative and fun space for researchers, civil society, policy-makers, donors and others to share and learn about the most current and cutting edge research the field has to offer on sexual and other forms of violence against women and children. You are invited to submit your abstracts before 01 February 2017 on our [website](#). Please contact us with any queries at: Svri.Forums@mrc.ac.za.

More information on our past Forums is available at <http://www.svri.org/svri-forums-explained>.

We look forward to hosting you in Brazil!

[II. SVRI Member request](#)

1. Requesting RMC and Gender Literature:

The gender team at Jhpiego is collecting literature and information about interventions addressing gender-related barriers to RMC at the facility-level in Low and Middle Income Countries. Please email any relevant articles to tracy.mcclair@jhpiego.org. There are many intersections between gender and RMC, and we hope to compile relevant literature to help crystallize this connection through a review of the evidence. We have already looked at the following relevant articles: Kim and Motsei, 2002; Newman 2011; Gregory 2003; Filby 2016; Jewkes 2015; Bohren, 2015; McMahon 2013. [Source: jhpiego].

2. Requesting research partnership:

I Protect Me is a registered non-profit organization in the Cape Flats, South Africa, which has been delivering Self-Protection training in primary schools since 2014 in the Cape Flats. The organization seeks research partnerships from various organization and/or researchers to plan and implement projects that aim to reduce the level of violence in Schools at Deft, Western Cape Province, South Africa. If you are interesting in the partnership kindly email Monica Clarke at monicagclarke@gmail.com. [Source: I Protect Me].

III. 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.

[Maternal childhood sexual trauma, child directed aggression, parenting behaviour, and the moderating role of child sex. Zvara B.J, Mills-Koonce R, Cox M. J. Fam. Violence. 1-11, 2016:](#) This study examines the associations between maternal report of child-directed aggression and observed parenting behaviour across early childhood for women with and without childhood sexual trauma histories. [Source: Safetylit].

[Broken and guilty since it happened: A population study of trauma-related shame and guilt after violence and sexual abuse. Aakvaag H.F, Thoresen S, Wentzel-Larsen T, Dyb G, Røysamb E, Olff M. Journal of Affective Disorders. 204, 16–23, 2016:](#) There is increasing interest in trauma-related shame and guilt. However, much remains unknown in terms of how these emotions relate to the type of event, gender and mental health. This study investigates shame and guilt in men and women following various types of severe violence and their relation to mental health. [Source: Science Direct].

[Anxious, hostile, and sadistic: Maternal attachment and everyday sadism predict hostile masculine beliefs and male sexual violence. Russell T.D, King A.R. Personality and Individual Differences. 99, 340-345, 2016:](#) This study examines everyday sadism and childhood parental attachment as predictors of male sexual aggression and coercion against women. [Source: Science Direct].

[Gender-based violence and sexual and reproductive health among low-income youth in three Brazilian cities. Chacham A.S, Simão A.B, Caetanoc A.J. Reproductive Health Matters. 2016:](#) In this article, the authors investigate how gender-based violence (GBV) affects the sexual and reproductive health of impoverished adolescents and young adults. [Source: Science Direct].

[Culturally specific interventions for female survivors of gender-based violence. O'Brien J.E, Macy R.J. Aggression and Violent Behavior. 2016:](#) To better serve the global population of female GBV survivors, and to aid service providers working with diverse populations, the authors of this article conduct a comprehensive, systematic review of the literature to explore the availability of culturally

specific GBV interventions and the level of evidence supporting these interventions. [Source: Science Direct].

[Hidden voices: Disabled women's experiences of violence and support over the life course. Sonali Shah S, Tsitsou L, Woodin S. Violence Against Women. 22\(10\), 1189-1210, 2016:](#) This article presents preliminary findings, generated from life history interviews, about disabled women's experiences of violence and access to support (both formal and informal) over their life course and their aspirations for the prevention of violence in the future. [Source: SAGE Journals].

IV. Online publications and resources

[Routine screening for intimate partner violence: A guide for trainers. Odiyo O, Undie C, Mak'anyengo M. ECSA Health Community, Population Council, and Kenyatta Hospital. 2016:](#) This is the first regional document devoted to building the capacity of providers to respond to intimate partner violence. This toolkit serves as a valuable resource for a range of service providers who work to prevent and respond to gender-based violence. [Source: Population Council].

[Preventing gender-based violence through arms control: tools and guidelines to implement the Arms Trade Treaty and UN Programme of Action. Gerome R. Women's International League for Freedom and Peace. 2016:](#) This report provides tools and guidelines on how to conduct an export risk assessment on GBV and how to enhance gender mainstreaming in disarmament and arms control. [Source: WUNRN].

[Rape loot pillage: The political economy of sexual violence in armed conflict. Meger S. Oxford Studies in Gender and International Relations. 2016:](#) This book provides a new theory for understanding the causes and consequences of wartime sexual violence. The author strongly critiques the newly emerging global framework for understanding and addressing conflict-related sexual violence, spearheaded by the UN Security Council, the UK Foreign Office, and the global campaign to Stop Rape. [Source: Central European University].

V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Call for Proposals: Building Women for Women International \(WfWI\)'s capacity to monitor VAW in DRC and Nigeria:](#) Women for Women International has an exciting opportunity for a consultant to help build capacity of their country staff in Nigeria and Eastern DRC to map and monitor the violence against women (VAW) context in the communities where they work from October 2016 to December 2017. Applications should be emailed to Carron Mann at cmann@womenforwomen.org before 14 September 2016. [Source: Women for Women International UK].

[Call for Proposals: 2016-2017 IASSCS Emerging Scholars International Fellowship:](#) IASSCS is pleased to announce a small research grants competition for emerging researchers, with the objective to promote research capacity development and research dissemination, prioritizing research issues in the Global South. Submission deadline: 17 October 2016. [Source: IASSCS].

[Call for Members: Review of proposals to combat on-line child sexual exploitation:](#) The Fund to End Violence Against Children is calling for a roster of experts to review proposals targeting the first priority area - online child sexual exploitation. The roster shall be representative of a wide range of expertise relevant to the Fund's programmes, including in the following areas: policy and governance; criminal justice and victim support; social welfare; industry engagement; child safeguarding; and finance and budgeting. Applicants should have relevant academic or professional qualifications with experience of both the subject matter and programme management where

possible. Apply [online](#). [Source: PAHO].

VI. Websites

[Health Cares about IPV](#): This website offers intimate partner violence screening and counselling toolkit to assist practitioners in the field. It also contains advocacy tools. [Source: Futures Without Violence].

VII. News

[Stanford bans liquor from parties after sexual assault case shocks campus, The Guardian, 23 August 2016](#): Stanford University has banned liquor from campus parties with a new policy that critics say is a tone-deaf response to growing concerns about sexual assault.

[How aid agencies should protect their staff from sexual abuse, IRIN News, 19 August 2016](#): Only 16 percent of aid agencies have proper policies dealing with sexual assaults on staff, and just one in 10 cases of sexual abuse are reported and then properly handled, according to a new report.

[Comment sections are cesspools of rape culture, research finds, The Huffington Post, 18 August 2016](#): One in Four of all online comments of news articles about sexual assault and rape culture include victim-blaming statements, new research out of the University of Southern California shows.

VIII. Events

[RISE Webinar Series: Monitoring and evaluating of reintegration, 26 August 2016](#): During this webinar participants will discuss about child-centered monitoring and evaluation and using the Integration Status Tool to monitor reintegration. [Source: RISE Learning Network].

[Webinar: Tying it All Together - Choosing \(primary prevention\) strategies that will get us where we want to go, 08 September 2016](#): Through this webinar participants will learn about the terms, concepts, and tools that will help them work with others to prevent sexual violence in their communities. Register [online](#). [Source: Prevent Connect].

[Webinar: Storytelling, participatory media, and international public health and human rights, 14 September 2016](#): This webinar by Story Center' Silence Speaks offers an introduction to the myriad ethical considerations that practitioners and advocates must address in designing impactful storytelling and participatory media efforts around the world. [Source: StoryCenter].

[Webinar: Selection on Observables, 15 September 2016](#): This webinar will consider impact evaluation estimation methods based on an identification strategy that assumes the observation of factors that influence both program participation and the outcome of interest. [Source: MEASURE Evaluation].

[Fall 2016 Global health practitioner conference, community health transitions: Leading for impact, 13-14 October 2016, Washington D.C., USA](#): During this conference participants will discuss emerging challenges and gaps in community health, and explore tools and interventions to address them through skill building, networking, and program learning. [Source: HST].

[SafeLives training: Making victims of sexual violence safe, 18 October 2016, Manchester, UK](#): This course has been designed to help build the skills, knowledge and confidence of practitioners, and to

improve their professional response to make victims of sexual violence safer. Applications close: 29 August 2016 [Source: Sage Lives].

[Call for papers: Elimination of violence against women conference, 25 November 2016, Quartier Militaire, Mauritius](#): This conference is organised by Aberystwyth University Mauritius in support of the UN's International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women. Delegates are invited to submit abstracts of a maximum of 250 words by 19 September 2016 to Dr Hannah Baumeister at hab29@aber.ac.uk. [Source: Aberystwyth University Mauritius].

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

IX. Vacancies

[Women's Leadership Researcher Intern](#) / CIMMYT / Addis Ababa, Ethiopia / Closing date: 15 September 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Head of Humanitarian Campaigns](#) / Oxfam / Global / Closing date: 18 September 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Child Protection Technical Advisor](#) / International Rescue Committee / Global / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Women's Protection and Empowerment Program Director](#) / International Rescue Committee / Kinshasa, DRC / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Project Director](#) / Rutgers Center for Women's Global Leadership / New Jersey, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

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

The Sexual Violence Research Initiative is hosted by the Medical Research Council, South Africa. The SVRI aims to promote research on sexual violence and generate empirical data to ensure sexual violence is recognized as a priority public health problem. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website www.svri.org or contact us at svri@mrc.ac.za

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