



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.

We are aware of emails that have been sent to our members. Please note that those emails are phishing scams. **Phishing** is defined as “an email that falsely claims to be a legitimate enterprise in an attempt to scam the user into surrendering private information for identity theft”, is highly prevalent and the SVRI team humbly request members to not open links in any emails that are not from a valid SVRI or SAMRC email address. This is a better a way of staying safe and avoiding spams and scams.

Thank you!

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[I. GENTLE REMINDER: SVRI Forum 2017 – Call for abstracts](#)

[SVRI Forum 2017, 18-21 September 2017, Rio, Brazil](#): This is a gentle reminder to our members to submit abstracts to join us at the global conference on prevention and response to sexual and other forms of violence. This is the SVRI's 5th global conference which will bring together policy-makers, civil society organizations, researchers and activists from all corners of the world.

Submit your abstracts on or before 01 February 2017.

Follow the event on Twitter with [#SVRIForum2017](#) [#SVRIForums](#) [#SDGs](#) [@TheSVRI](#)

We look forward to hosting you at the beautiful Rio!

II. SVRI Member request

[Online research: The role of betrayal of trust in child sexual exploitation victims](#): You are being invited to participate in the study conducted by María Atiénzar Prieto, a Forensic Psychology Master student from Maastricht University (The Netherlands), supervised by Dr. Carol Ireland (Chartered Psychologist, Forensic Psychologist and Course Director on the MSc in Forensic Psychology, UCLAN). The study explores people's experiences of having been approached (or not) by an adult in a sexual manner whilst under the age of 16. María is interested in your perceptions of interpersonal trust and experiences regarding close relationships.

Copy and paste the URL into your browser to complete the survey.

<http://www.surveygizmo.com/s3/3067052/New-Survey>

For further details please send an email to María Atiénzar Prieto at

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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.

[Perceived needs for support program for family with child sexual abuse victim in South Korea: Focus group interview with therapists and mothers. Han S, Kim J. J. Child Sex. Abuse. 25\(7\): 738-756, 2016](#):

This study assesses perceived needs for psychological support program for family with victim of child sexual abuse in South Korea. [Source: Safetylit].

[The impact of a micro-savings intervention on reducing violence against women engaged in sex work: a randomized controlled study. Tsai L.C, Carlson C.E, Aira T, Norcini Pala A, Riedel M, Witte S.S. BMC Int. Health Hum. Rights. 16\(1\): e27, 2016](#): This study reports on the impact of participation in a micro-savings intervention on experiences of paying partner violence among women engaged in sex work in Mongolia. [Source: Safetylit].

[Testing a counselling intervention in antenatal care for women experiencing partner violence: a study protocol for a randomized controlled trial in Johannesburg, South Africa. Pallitto C, García-Moreno C, Stöckl H, Hatcher A, MacPhail C, Mokoatle K, Woollett N. BMC Health Services Research. 16:630, 2016](#): This study aims to recruit 504 pregnant women from three antenatal clinics in Johannesburg who will be randomized to the nurse-led empowerment arm (two 30-min counselling sessions) or enhanced control condition (a referral list) to determine whether participants in the intervention arm have better outcomes as compared to the those in the control arm. [Source: BioMed Central].

[Interventions for healthcare providers to improve treatment and prevention of female genital mutilation: a systematic review. Balfour J, Abdulcadir J, Say L, Hindin M.J. BMC Health Services Research. 16: 409, 2016](#): In this article, the authors systematically review literature on interventions improving healthcare providers' capacities of prevention and treatment of female genital mutilation. [Source: BioMed Central].

[Evaluation of the REAL Fathers Initiative on physical child punishment and intimate partner violence in Northern Uganda. Ashburn K, Kerner B, Ojamuge D, Lundgren R. Prev Sci. 2016](#): The REAL Fathers Initiative is a 12-session father mentoring program implemented by volunteers that is designed to

reduce child exposure to violence at home, breaking the cycle of intergenerational violence. This study explores the evaluation of the REAL Fathers Initiative. [Source: Institute for Reproductive Health, Georgetown University].

[Typology of perceived causes of intimate partner violence perpetration in young adults. Guay S, Sader J, Boisvert J, Beaudry M. Violence and Gender. 2016:](#) This study investigates the perceived causes of perpetrated intimate partner violence (IPV) among young adults, to assess whether distinct profiles exist, and to investigate sex differences. [Source: Violence and Gender].

[Looking backward to move forward: Revisiting some past feminist contributions to the study of violence against women. DeKeseredy W.S. Violence and Gender. 2016:](#) This study suggests means of effectively dealing with attempts to marginalize feminist scholarship. The approaches include revisiting some major contributions from the past, including using broad and gender-specific definitions, local community surveys, and multiple methods. [Source: Violence and Gender].

IV. Online publications and resources

[Adolescent boys and young men: Engaging them as supporters of gender equality and health and understanding their vulnerabilities. UNFPA. 2016:](#) This report emphasises that a holistic approach to advancing gender equality and sexual and reproductive health must include both adolescent girls and boys. [Source: The Communication Initiative].

[Terminology guidelines for the protection of children from sexual exploitation and sexual abuse. Interagency Working Group in Luxembourg. 2016:](#) The document offers guidance on how to navigate the complex lexicon of terms commonly used to describe sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children. [Source: RISE Learning Network].

[Religion, women's health and rights: Points of contention, paths of opportunities. JLI & F&LC. 2016:](#) This Report looks at the religious arguments around some of the most sensitive and contentious SRH-related issues, from the perspective of the major faith traditions of this world. These issues range from contraception to abortion to GBV to Child Marriage. [Source: JLI & F&LC].

V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Fellowship opportunity: Akili Dada 2017 Fellowship Program:](#) The fellowship is an opportunity for young women to design and implement solutions to the challenges faced by their communities. It provides opportunities for dynamic young women leaders to learn essential skills and apply those skills in the context of their communities. Deadline: 11 November 2016. [Source: AWID].

[Funding opportunity: UN Women national committee Australia MBA scholarship:](#) The scholarship is open to all women who meet the entry requirements for admission to the Master of Business Administration at the University of Sydney. It covers full tuition fees for the MBA for a maximum of four years' part-time study and is tenable for commencement of study for the MBA in March 2017 only. Applications due: 13 November 2016. [Source: ANROWS].

[Call for papers: Disability and Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights:](#) The Reproductive Health Matters issue invites authors to submit articles that contribute towards building a knowledge base that can inform policy and practice and offer a better understanding of the connection and intersection of sexual and reproductive health and rights and disability. Submission deadline: 30 November 2016. [Source: AWID].

VI. Awards

[Call for nominations: Voices of Courage Awards 2017 – Honouring refugee youth leaders](#): The Voices of Courage Awards are presented annually to resilient, resourceful individuals who have a personal and powerful story to tell about the challenges and triumphs experienced by the tens of millions of people who have been displaced by conflict and violence worldwide. Deadline for nominations: 29 November 2016. [Source: Women’s Refugee Commission].

VII. News

[The young refugee girls who are being pushed into marriage and violent relationships, The Guardian, 06 November 2016](#): Young Syrian refugee girls are being married off by desperate parents – and finding themselves in abusive relationships or worse.

[Study confirms intimate partner violence leading health risk factor for women, The Conversation, 31 October 2016](#): Barely a week passes without a media report of the suffering or tragic death of a woman at the hands of a partner. Typically, these accounts focus on the individuals involved. While important, in isolation, such a focus can belie the fact intimate partner violence is a wider social problem, obscuring both the factors contributing to it and opportunities to prevent it.

[Sexual harassment of female MPs widespread, report says, BBC News, 26 October 2016](#): The study by the Inter Parliamentary Union (IPU) is being released during the group's annual assembly in Geneva. Just 55 female MPs took part in the survey, but they represent parliaments from across the globe. Over 80% said they had experienced some form of psychological or sexual harassment or violence.

VIII. Events

[Webinar: Using Genograms and Ecomaps to Plan and Evaluate Family Interventions, 11 November 2016](#): During this webinar, Valeria Brahim, Psychologist and Social Programs Director at Asociación Brasileña Terra dos Homens, will shed light on how to use genogram and ecomap to support planning and M&E. Please note this webinar will be held in Portuguese. [Source: RISE Learning Network].

[Online/Offline: Sexual violence, activism, and justice, 25 November 2016, Melbourne, Australia](#): This seminar will investigate the role that online spaces are increasingly playing as sites of justice and activism for victim/survivors, and the interconnections and disconnects between virtual and ‘real life’ feminist praxis. [Source: ANROWS].

[Conference on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Policy Research, 01-02 December 2016, Gent, Belgium](#): The purpose of the conference is to present research results in the field of SRHR, discuss their implications for policy and link researchers with policy makers. The conference is open to all researchers, policy makers, students and others that are interested in SRHR policy research. [Source: ICRH].

[Primary prevention of violence against women: From local to global, 02 December 2016, Melbourne, Australia](#): This panel discussion brings together experts with experience in challenging the structures, cultures and practices that drive violence against women. Drawing on projects from within Australia and beyond, the panel will discuss the primary prevention of violence against women, and respond to audience questions about what is needed to create lasting social change on this vital issue. [Source: ANROWS].

[2017 NASPA Sexual Violence Prevention and Response Conference: A NASPA Strategies Conference, 19-21 January 2017, Texas, USA](#): This conference focuses on giving student affairs practitioners the tools to effectively address violence on campus through a variety of integrative approaches. Early bird registration closes on 21 November 2016 and regular registration closes on 08 November 2016. [Source: NASPA]

[2017 Summer Research Institute, 12-15 June 2017](#): The 25th Annual Summer Research Institute (SRI) is an online distance learning experience. NDACAN encourages applications from advanced graduate students, post-docs, faculty, and other researchers. Applications to participate in the 2017 SRI are due on or before January 31. [Source: Cornell University].

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

IX. Vacancies

[NCAVP Coordinator](#) / The New York City Anti-Violence Project and NCAVP / New York, USA / Closing date: 14 November 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Trustee](#) / GADN / London, UK / Closing date: 15 November 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[External Evaluation](#) / Astraea Foundation / Global / Closing date: 18 November 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Fundraiser Volunteer](#) / Make Every Woman Count / Global / Closing date: 20 November 2016. . [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Social Media Volunteer](#) / Make Every Woman Count / Global / Closing date: 20 November 2016. . [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Humanitarian Advisor – Cash Based Programming](#) / ActionAid UK / London, UK / Closing date: 21 November 2016. . [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Education and Outreach Specialist](#) / UC Davis Center for Advocacy, Resources and Education / USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: Prevent Connect].

[Women’s Protection and Empowerment Monitoring and Evaluation Officer](#) / International Rescue Committee / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Economic Wellbeing Coordinator](#) / International Rescue Committee / Bamako, Mali / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Adolescent Girls Program Specialist](#) / International Rescue Committee / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Integrated Protection Coordinator – Cross Border](#) / International Rescue Committee / Iraq / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Senior Research Program Coordinator](#) / Bloomberg School of Public Health / Baltimore, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: Bloomberg School of Public Health].

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 increase awareness and promote research on sexual violence and its linkages to other forms of violence to influence policy and practice, particularly in low and middle income countries. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website www.svri.org or contact us at svri@mrc.ac.za

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