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[I. SVRI Grant – new reports and publications](#)

[New Learning: Expanding what we know about Intersecting VAW-VAC](#): For over a decade, Raising Voices has been working to prevent both violence against women (VAW) and violence against children (VAC). While they understand all violence as an abuse of power, for the most part of their VAW and VAC programming has evolved independently. In 2015, they set off to better understand the interconnections between VAW and VAC, from the perspective of Ugandan families. Today they are excited to share several pieces from this research (in partnership with Columbia University, Makerere University, and support from the [SVRI](#)) that they hope will provoke reflection and further questioning. Read their qualitative results [here](#) and their Learning Paper No. 7 [here](#).

For more information about the SVRI Grant, please visit: <http://www.svri.org/what-we-do/research-support/svri-grant>

[II. SVRI member's request](#)

[Digital landscaping survey: Learning about the linkages between intimate partner violence and family planning](#): Passages Project has developed this short survey to collect information on the linkages between intimate partner violence (IPV) and family planning (FP) outcomes, the social and gender norms that influence that relationship, and promising approaches addressing both. Through this survey, they are interested in learning about your personal experiences and your organization's experiences regarding:

1. The relationship between IPV and FP;
2. The influence of social and gender norms on the relationship between IPV and FP;
3. Implementing, scaling up and evaluating interventions addressing FP and IPV, including normative interventions, and;
4. Your insights, information, and literature recommendations on the above-mentioned topics.

The survey is available online, at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FP-IPV-links>. All responses will be confidential and it will take participants 20 minutes to complete the survey. All responses should be completed by 15 June 2017.

Survey results will contribute to a final literature review and synthesis report, which will be disseminated among practitioners in this area in order to increase the evidence and knowledge base surrounding the linkages between intimate partner violence and family planning, and the social norms that drive both. This research will both improve Passages' own work on scalable social norm interventions and will contribute to the wider understanding of this nexus. They hope that this will also be able to inform future programming that supports integrated program design.

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.

[The legacy of early childhood violence exposure to adulthood intimate partner violence: Variable- and person-oriented evidence. Narayan A.J, Labella M.H, Englund M.M, Carlson E.A, Egeland B. J. Fam. Psychol. ePub, 2017:](#) This study examines prospective pathways from exposure to interparental violence during infancy and toddlerhood/preschool to intimate partner violence perpetration and victimization in adulthood. [Source: Safetylit].

[Effectively engaging stakeholders and the public in developing violence prevention messages. Boyko J.A, Wathen C.N, Kothari A. BMC Women's Health. ePub, 2017:](#) This study discusses the broad challenge of mobilizing knowledge-for-action in family violence, with a primary focus on the issue of how stakeholders and the public can be effectively engaged when developing and communicating evidence-based violence prevention messages. [Source: ANROWS].

[An exploration of the mediators between childhood maltreatment and intimate partner violence. Smyth J.E, Gardner L.F, Marks R.D, Moore E.Z. Violence Vict. ePub, 2017:](#) This study investigates the relationship between childhood maltreatment and intimate partner violence, specifically examining the mediation of this relationship by several variables thought to be related to this pernicious problem, including early maladaptive schemas, the experience of anger, and emotion regulation difficulties. [Source: Safetylit].

[Mental ill health in structural pathways to women's experiences of intimate partner violence. Machisa M.T, Christofides N, Jewkes R. PLoS ONE. ePub, 2017:](#) In this article, the authors investigate the associations of child abuse, mental ill health and intimate partner violence; and describes the underlying pathways between them. [Source: PLoS ONE].

[An integrated intervention to reduce intimate partner violence and psychological distress with refugees in low-resource settings: study protocol for the Nguvu cluster randomized trial. Tol WA, Greene M.C, Likindikoki S, Misinzo L, Ventevogel P, Bonz A.G, Bass J.K, Mbwambo J.K.K. BMC Psychiatry, 17\(1\), e186, 2017:](#) This protocol describes a cluster randomized controlled trial aimed at

evaluating an 8-session integrated psychological and advocacy intervention (Nguvu) with female adult survivors of past-year IPV displaying moderate to severe psychological distress. [Source: PubMed].

[Intimate partner violence and pregnancy: Screening and intervention. Chisholm C.A, Bullock L, Ferguson II J.E. American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology. ePub, 2017:](#) This article provides currently accepted definitions of categories and subcategories of intimate partner violence (IPV), and discusses the prevalence and health impacts of IPV in non-pregnant and pregnant women. [Source: ScienceDirect].

[The five neglected skills all qualitative researchers need. Clark A.M, Sousa B.J. International Journal of Qualitative Methods. 16, 1–3, 2017:](#) This article identifies the five most essential skills needed for success in qualitative research. [Source: SAGE Pub].

IV. Online publications and resources

[Consolidated guideline on sexual and reproductive health and rights of women living with HIV. World Health Organization, 2017:](#) In this report, the authors seek to help countries to develop and monitor programmes and services that promote gender equality and human rights and hence are more acceptable and appropriate for women living with HIV, taking into account the national and local epidemiological context. [Source WHO].

[Preventing violence, promoting peace: A policy toolkit for preventing interpersonal, collective and extremist violence. Commonwealth, 2017:](#) This toolkit brings together evidence on the prevention of all types of violence including interpersonal violence, collective violence and violent extremism. [Source: World Health Organization].

[Conducting research with adolescents from low- and middle- income countries. UNICEF Office of Research – Innocenti, 2017:](#) These briefs aim to improve efforts to collect rigorous evidence for programmes and policies on adolescent health and well-being. They will assist a wide range of professionals and stakeholders who conduct, commission or interpret research findings to make decisions about programming, policy and advocacy. [Source: UNICEF Office of Research – Innocenti].

[Understanding intimate partner violence in Bangladesh through a male lens. Naved R.T, Samuels F, Gupta T, Talukder A, Masson V.L, Yount. K.M. London: Overseas Development Institute:](#) This report aims to address evidence gaps by drawing on primary research from 2016 to understand the multi-level drivers of male perpetration of intimate partner violence in Bangladesh, including the relative importance of conservative gender norms. [Source: icddr,b].

[A tool for strengthening gender-sensitive national HIV and sexual and reproductive health \(SRH\) monitoring and evaluation systems. World Health Organization, 2016:](#) Through this tool, the authors seek to assist countries in strengthening systems for national monitoring and evaluation (M&E) of HIV and sexual and reproductive health (SRH) with the aim of improving evidence on how gender inequality affects HIV and SRH outcomes and programmatic responses. [Source: WHO].

[WHO ethical and safety recommendations for intervention research on violence against women: Building on lessons from the WHO publication putting women first – ethical and safety recommendations for research on domestic violence against women. World Health Organization, 2016:](#) This report offers guidance on how to address questions specific to conducting research on health-based interventions to prevent and respond to violence against women. [Source: The Health

Communication Network].

V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

Funding opportunities: Wellcome Trust: Wellcome Trust has several funding opportunities to which researchers who are based at host organizations in low- and middle-income countries may apply. This includes the [Investigator awards in humanities and social science](#) and the [Collaborative awards in humanities and social science](#). The preliminary deadline for these awards is 4 July 2017 and the application deadline is 19 September 2017. [Source: SAMRC].

Call for Applications: The PBF Gender and Youth Promotion Initiative #GYPI: The United Nations Secretary-General's Peacebuilding Fund's (PBF) is seeking applications for its Gender and Youth Promotion Initiative #GYPI 2017 with an aim to support the empowerment of women and the advancement of gender equality and recognize the role of young people as central to the relevance and effectiveness of PBF's overall peacebuilding portfolio. Deadline: 7 July 2017.

VI. News

U.S. export of political reproductive health policies threatens women's health globally, Women's eNews, 1 June 2017: History was recently made at the 70th World Health Assembly when Tedros Adhanom was elected as the first African to lead the World Health Organization (WHO) as its new director-general. It was also the first time that all voting member states cast their ballots.

CEDECA is among the five NGOs participating in the World Forum, SVRI News, 30 May 2017: The Centro de Defesa dos Direitos Humanos de Crianças e Adolescentes- Glória de Ivone (CEDECA) was selected to participate in the 5th World Conference of the Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI) to be held on 18- 21 September 2017 at the Sheraton Grand Rio Hotel & Resort, Rio, Brazil. This Forum is considered the largest worldwide event dedicated to the research, prevention and response to sexual violence and intimate partner violence.

Laos puts family planning on its economic roadmap, News Deeply, 19 May 2017: At Laos' first-ever national conference on family planning, attendees presented the issue as vital not only for women's health, but also for the country's economic development.

VII. Events

WHO Webinar: Consolidated guideline on sexual and reproductive health and rights of women living with HIV, 19 June 2017: WHO SEARO (South-East Asia Regional Office) and WHO WPRO (Western Pacific Regional Office) with Department of Reproductive Health and Research (RHR) would like to invite you to an upcoming webinar on the WHO Consolidated guideline on sexual and reproductive health and rights of women living with HIV. Register [online](#). [Source: WHO].

Webinar: Community accountability for safety – Building capacity to make sexual and domestic violence a community responsibility, 28 June 2017: This web conference will explore the role of strong social networks, inclusion and community accountability in sexual and domestic violence prevention and highlight innovative local efforts. See corresponding times [online](#). [Source: Prevent Connect].

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

VIII. Vacancies

[Programme Coordinator, Community Based Programmes](#) / CREA / New Delhi, India / Closing date: 4 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Head of Gender Equality](#) / CARE International / Global / Closing date: 9 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Research Assistant in Qualitative Methods](#) / Institute for Global Health, UCL / London, UK / Closing date: 14 June 2017. [Source: UCL].

[Executive Director](#) / AdvocAid / Freetown, Sierra Leone / Closing date: 18 June 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender Equality Advisor](#) / EQWiP HUB / Global / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

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

[Administrative and Office Coordinator](#) / The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / Washington D.C, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[ART Policy Counsel, USPA](#) / The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender Equality Officer](#) / EQWiP HUB / Global / 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 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.

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