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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.

Today's SVRI Update includes the following:
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I. [New SVRI Publications and Reports](#)

[Brief: Risk and protective factors. SVRI, 2017](#): This brief highlight the importance of understanding risk and protective factors to inform gender based violence prevention interventions, advocacy and policies.

II. [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.

[Design strategies from sexual exploitation and sex work studies among women and girls: methodological considerations in a hidden and vulnerable population. Gerassi L, Edmond T, Nichols A. Action Res. 15\(2\), 161-176, 2017](#): This article reviews the current methodological issues when studying sex workers as well as strategies to address challenges while working with them in order to bring about social change. [Source: Safetylit].

[Opportunities and challenges in screening for childhood sexual abuse. Sekhar D.L, Kraschnewski J.L, Stuckey H.L, Witt P.D, Francis E.B, Moore G.A, Morgan P.L, Noll J.G. Child Abuse Negl. ePub, 2017](#): This qualitative study seeks to understand the perspective of key stakeholders on child sexual abuse screening. [Source: Safetylit].

[Understanding processes of risk and protection that shape the sexual and reproductive health of young women affected by conflict: the price of protection. Hutchinson A, Waterhouse P, March-McDonald J, Neal S, Ingham R. *Confl. Health.* 11, e15, 2017:](#) In this study, a literature overview approach was used to identify sexual and reproductive health related risk and protective factors specifically for young women affected by modern armed conflict. [Source: Safetylit].

[Young women's perceptions of transactional sex and sexual agency: a qualitative study in the context of rural South Africa. Ranganathan M, MacPhail C, Pettifor A, Kahn K, Khoza N, Twine R, Watts C, Heise L. *BMC Public Health.* 17, ePub, 2017:](#) This study explores the degree to which young women perceive themselves as active agents in transactional sex and whether they recognise a link between transactional sex and HIV risk. [Source: BMC Public Health].

[A mixed method study of intimate partner violence: how sex and severity impact perpetrator prior involvement, abnormality, and responsibility. Savage M, Scarduzio J, Lockwood Harris K, Carlyle K. *Violence Vict.* ePub, 2017:](#) This study examines the effects of participant sex, perpetrator sex, and severity of violence on perceptions of intimate partner violence perpetrators. [Source: Safetylit].

III. Online Publications and Resources

[Putting the prevention of violence against women into practice: How to change the story. Our Watch, 2017:](#) This report provides practical assistance and resources for the planning, implementation and evaluation of evidence-based framework for the primary prevention of violence against women and their children. [Source: The Equality Institute].

IV. Research Opportunities, Grants and Funding

[Call for submission: Special rapporteur VAW – Online violence against women:](#) The Special Rapporteur seeks to collect existing good practices on law regulating violence against women and sexual harassment on-line. All submissions should be sent electronically to vaw@ohchr.org using the title: "Submission on online violence against women". Closing date: 30 September 2017. [Source: Virtual Knowledge Centre to End Violence Against Women and Girls].

[Call for proposals: Online child sexual exploitation:](#) The Fund to End Violence against Children is looking to fund organisations at the country, regional and global levels whose work seeks to achieve the intended impact of preventing violence against children online, with a particular focus on child sexual exploitation. Submit your proposal [online](#). Closing date: 30 September 2017. [Source: End Violence Against Children].

[Call for proposals: SVRI and WBG Development Marketplace for Innovation on Gender-Based Violence 2018:](#) The SVRI and WBG announces our new open call for awards recognizing promising innovations aimed at preventing gender-based violence. Awards of up \$USD100,000 are available. Submit your proposal [online](#). Closing date: 6 October 2017.

V. News

[SASA!'s voice carries around the world. SVRI News, 31 August 2017:](#) Since the SASA! research study showed to be effective in Uganda, organizations from over 20 countries and 60 organizations have approached Raising Voices to adapt SASA! to their own communities. SASA! is being used in humanitarian contexts, rural and urban areas, by diverse types of organizations and groups.

['The world is a horrible place to be a woman': Brazilian writer launches sexual violence campaign, The Guardian, 30 August 2017](#): A Brazilian feminist writer and activist who says she was sexually assaulted by an Uber driver in São Paulo has launched an online campaign after writing and posting about the attack.

[Show me the money: the fight for funding and accountability for women's rights, Open Democracy, 28 August 2017](#): Across United Nations programmes, gender equality is vastly underfunded. When the UN Women agency was created in 2010, activists estimated that it needed at least a \$1 billion budget (for comparison, total revenue for the children's agency UNICEF was over \$4.8 billion in 2016). Several years on, and donors have consistently failed to meet this target. UN Women's total revenue for 2016 was under \$335 million.

VI. Events

[Webinar: Consolidating the evidence – Improving family planning uptake through social and behaviour change, 6 September 2017](#): The Health Communication Capacity Collaborative (HC3) will host this webinar to share emerging platforms that centralize family planning (FP) and social and behaviour change (SBC) tools and evidence – among them, HC3's new FP/SBC Evidence database. [Source: Health Communication Capacity Collaborative].

[Webinar: Trauma and violence aware care, 13 September 2017](#): This webinar highlights the current strategies, challenges, and opportunities in implementing trauma aware care interventions for women and girls living with HIV. [Source: Salamander Trust].

[5th international conference on family planning, 12-15 November 2018, Kigali, Rwanda](#): serves as a strategic inflection point for the family planning and reproductive health community worldwide. It provides an opportunity for political leaders, scientists, researchers, policymakers, advocates, and youth to disseminate knowledge, celebrate successes, and identify next steps toward reaching the goal of enabling an additional 120 million women to access voluntary, quality contraception by 2020. [Source: Health Communication Capacity Collaborative].

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

VII. Vacancies

[Gender Director \(maternity cover\)](#) / Girl Effect / London, UK / Closing date: 3 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Policy Analyst](#) / UCLA / Los Angeles, USA / Closing date: 7 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[AWID Website Associate - Parental leave fill](#) / Association for Women's Rights in Development / Flexible / Closing date: 8 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Finance Manager](#) / International Alert / London, UK / Closing date: 13 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Project Manager - 'Tushiriki Wote'](#) / International Alert / Goma, Democratic Republic of the Congo / Closing date: 13 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Manager, LARC Project](#) / The National Institute for Reproductive Health / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Brand Strategist](#) / Girl Effect / Mumbai, India / 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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