Dear SVRI List Members

The SVRI Forum 2017 was a very great success. Thanks to all our partners for their support to this event, the presenters for their quality presentations, the Chairs for facilitating the informative sessions, and, of course, to all participants for your engagement and participation - it was a great pleasure having you all with us in Brazil. We are pleased to let you know that most presentations made at the Forum are now available on the SVRI Forum 2017 English, Spanish and Portuguese websites. We look forward to seeing you all at SVRI Forum 2019 in Cape Town, South Africa, 16-19 September 2019.

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

I. SAVE THE DATE: SVRI, IC and What works joint webinar on 1 December 2017!

SVRI IC What Works Webinar - Being Heard: Involving children and young people in participatory research on sexual violence, 1 December 2017: Join us on 1 December, from 11:00-12:30 (South Africa time) to hear Dr Silvie Bovarnick and Dr Helen Beckett from the ‘International Centre: Researching child sexual exploitation, violence and trafficking’ at the University of Bedfordshire in the UK, talking about why and how we should engage children and young people in participatory research on sexual violence.

For more details and how to join, visit: http://www.svri.org/events/svri-ic-and-what-works-joint-webinar-being-heard-involving-children-and-young-people

We hope to see you there!

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.

Special issue: Understanding meaningful engagement of youth in research and evaluation.
This special issue contributes to the youth engagement movement, informing how we approach especially qualitative, participatory action research and mixed methods research with youth, contributing to the theory and practice of adolescent development-focused research. [Source: SAGE Journals].

Qualitative methods to advance research on health inequities among previously incarcerated women living with HIV in Alabama. Sprague C, Scanlon M.L, Pantalone D.W. Health Education & Behavior. 44(5), 716–727, 2017: In this study, authors use life course narratives and intersubjectivity—predicated on interview dialogue—to investigate how familial and social settings establishes HIV-positive women’s social patterning of HIV, incarceration risk, and poor health. [Source: University of Massachusetts Boston].

The unique needs of pregnant, violence-exposed women: A systematic review of current interventions and directions for translational research. Howell K.H, Miller-Graff L.E, Hasselle A.J, Scrafford K.E. Aggress. Violent Behav. 34, 128-138, 2017: In this study, authors conduct a systematic review of existing interventions for intimate partner violence exposed pregnant women with the aim of recommending innovative future translational research in this area. [Source: Safetylit].


III. Online Publications and Resources

progression through the criminal justice system and factors associated with this, and it generates recommendations for strengthening the investigation, prosecution and adjudication of rape cases. [Source: SAMRC].

**Responding to children and adolescents who have been sexually abused: WHO clinical guidelines.** 

**WHO, 2017:** The guidelines aim at helping health workers to provide quality clinical care to children and adolescents who have experienced sexual abuse. The guidelines, grounded in human rights standards related to the “best interests of the child” and “evolving capacities”, emphasize the need for first-line support that includes: an empathetic response to disclosure of abuse – one that gives emphasis to their safety, choices, wishes and autonomy. They provide evidence-based recommendations for quality clinical care including post-rape and mental health care. [Source: WHO].

**IV. Research Opportunities, Grants and Funding**

**Harry Frank Guggenheim (HFG) Foundation: Young African Scholars Program - Addressing issues on violence, aggression and dominance:** Every two years the HFG foundation hosts the Young African Scholars program. Ten scholars whose proposed projects are judged to be of high quality and closely relevant to the foundation’s interest in violence and aggression are selected to take part. The program includes a methods workshop, fieldwork research grants of $2,000 USD each, editorial and publication assistance, and sponsorship at an international conference to present research findings. Deadline for applications: 15 December 2017. [Source: Regional SRHR Fund CoP].

**V. Websites**

**28 Too Many:** 28 Too Many is a leading anti-female genital mutilation (FGM) organisation providing partners in Africa and the diaspora with the knowledge, tools and support to end FGM. Their website offers a range of FGM research resources and materials. [Source: 28 Too Many].

**PreVAil:** PreVAil, which stands for Preventing Violence Across the Lifespan, is an international research collaboration of over 60 researchers and partners from Canada, the US, the UK, Asia, Europe and Australia, funded by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research’s Institute for Gender and Health (2009-2017). Their website offers research resources and materials on prevention and response to child maltreatment and intimate partner violence. [Source: PreVAil].

**VI. News**

**In Kosovo, legal recognition of war-time sexual violence survivors after 18 years, UN Women News, 19 October 2017:** After almost two decades of silence and stigma, Kosovo women survivors of sexual violence during the armed conflict of 1998 – 1999 will soon get legal recognition and reparations, including financial assistance.

**An inequality beyond wealth: gaps in women’s health, IPS News, 18 October 2017:** While many often focus on wealth disparities, economic inequality is often a symptom and cause of other inequalities including women’s access to sexual and reproductive health.

**Many rape victims ‘paralyzed’ by fear during assault, study finds, Healthline News, 20 June 2017:** A new study published in the journal Acta Obstetricia et Gynecologica Scandinavica suggests that many people who are raped experience involuntary paralysis during the assault.
VII. Events

**Webinar: Engage with UNAIDS, and partner on the Action Linking Initiatives on Violence Against Women and HIV Everywhere (ALIV[H]E) Framework, 9 November 2017**

The ALIV[H]E Implementation Framework draws on the evidence for ‘what works’ to prevent HIV and violence against women (VAW), and widens the evidence base on what works, to reduce VAW in the context of HIV. In this webinar, presenters will describe the ALIV[H]E Implementation Framework in detail. RSVP: to sophiedilmitis@gmail.com before Monday 6th November.

*For more events visit: [http://www.svri.org/event-calendar](http://www.svri.org/event-calendar)*

VIII. Vacancies

**Global Individual Giving Lead (Maternity Cover)** / ActionAid / London, Nairobi or Johannesburg / Closing date: 27 October 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

**Head of Research and Programme Policy** / ActionAid UK / London, UK / Closing date: 29 October 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

**Administrator** / What Works to Prevent Violence Against Women and Girls Programme, SAMRC / Pretoria, South Africa / Closing date: 31 October 2017. [Source: SAMRC].

**Global Secretariat Finance Manager** / ActionAid International / Flexible / Closing date: 31 October 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

**Coordinator (Asia)** / Care Australia / Canberra, Australia / Closing date: 6 November 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

**Senior Technical Advisor, Ending Violence Against Women and Girls (EVAWG)** / UN Women / New York, USA / Closing date: 10 November 2017. [Source: UNDP].

**Technical and Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist, Ending Violence Against Women and Girls (EVAWG)** / UN Women / New York, USA / Closing date: 10 November 2017. [Source: UNDP].

**Communications and Visibility Specialist** / UN Women / New York, USA / Closing date: 10 November 2017. [Source: UNDP].

**Capacity Development and Knowledge Management Specialist, Ending Violence Against Women and Girls (EVAWG)** / UN Women / New York, USA / Closing date: 10 November 2017. [Source: UNDP].

**Programme Associate, Programme for Ending Violence Against Women and Girls / Harmful Practices** / UN Women / New York, USA / Closing date: 10 November 2017. [Source: UNDP].

**Women’s Protection and Empowerment Coordinator** / The International Rescue Committee / Maiduguri, Nigeria / Closing date: 15 November 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

**U.S. Human Rights Summer 2018 Law Student Internship** / The Center for Reproductive Rights (the Center) / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: Center for Reproductive Rights].
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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