SVRI WORLD BANK GROUP DEVELOPMENT MARKETPLACE 16 DAYS 2017 BLOG SERIES

This 16 Days Blog series profiles innovative projects supported through the Development Marketplace for Innovations to Prevent Gender-Based Violence. Today’s blogs are themed: Research to action: Partnerships for policy making:

- Working with the government and private sector to promote gender equity and prevent gender-based violence (GBV) in Egypt
- Data for policy: Building a culture of evidence-based policies to address violence against children (VAC)

Adolescents, gender roles and intimate partner relationships in Moldova

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Love matters: exploring conceptions of love in Rwanda and Swaziland and relationship to HIV and intimate partner violence. Ruark A, Stern E, Dlamini-Simelane T, Kakuze M F. African Journal of AIDS Research. 16(4), 271-282, 2017: This study explores how women and men in Rwanda and Swaziland understand and represent love in their intimate sexual partnerships. (Source: University of California, San Diego).


How do public health professionals view and engage with research? A qualitative interview study and stakeholder workshop engaging public health professionals and researchers. Van der Graaf P, Forrest L F, Adams J, Shucksmith J, White M. BMC Public Health. 17(1), e892, 2017: This study explores the perspectives of public health professionals and researchers when interacting, with a view to identifying barriers to and opportunities for developing practice that is effectively informed by research. (Source: SafetyLit).

Sexual assertiveness skills and sexual decision-making in adolescent girls: randomized controlled trial of an online program. Widman L, Golin C E, Kamke K, Burnette J L, Prinstein M J. Am. J. Public Health. ePub, 2017: This study evaluates the efficacy of an interactive, Web-based sexual health program (Health Education and Relationship Training [HEART]) for developing sexual assertiveness skills and enhancing sexual decision-making in adolescent girls. (Source: SafetyLit).
ONLINE RESOURCES

Strengthening health systems to respond to women subjected to intimate partner violence or sexual violence: A manual for health managers. World Health Organization. 2017: This manual provides ‘how to’ guidance to health managers and policy makers for planning, managing, and monitoring services to meet the psychological and physical health needs of women and girls and ensure they receive quality care. (Source: WHO).


RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS


Call for applications: Community of practice on women’s multiple disadvantage. Deadline: 20 December 2017.


EVENTS

- Orange Run 6k - Empowered by Edgars UNiTE, Johannesburg, South Africa. 2 November 2017: The Edgars Unite Orange Run 6k is a CSI initiative by Edgars to highlight abuse against women and children. This is in line with the UN Orange campaign 16 days of activism running from 25th November to 10th December.

PROJECTS

- A Comparative Study of Resilience in Survivors of war rape and sexual violence: new directions for transitional justice: Comparative Study of Resilience in Survivors is a comparative project aimed at understanding the factors that enable and impede expressions of resilience in survivors of conflict-related rape and sexual violence. Focused on Bosnia-Herzegovina, Colombia and Uganda, the project is seeking to develop an innovative new ecological model of transitional justice that extends the focus beyond individuals. The SVRI manager, Elizabeth Dartnall, sit on the project ethics advisory board.

NEWS

- South Sudan violence against women is twice global average, ABC News, 29 November 2017
- Sexual violence in war zones at ‘worst ever’ as drive to protect women falters, The Guardian, 26 November 2017
- French president to launch ‘cultural war’ on sexual abuse, The Guardian, 24 November 2017
- #NotOurLeaders campaign launched during 16 days of activism to end violence against women, Lawyers for Human Rights news, 24 November 2017

VACANCIES

- Consultancy to Develop COFEM’s Feminist Pocketbook, COFEM, Flexible – Closing date: 30 November 2017
- Website Developer, COFEM, Flexible – Closing date: 30 November 2017
- Community Health Intern, UNICEF, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania – Closing date: 3 December 2017
- Partnerships Manager (Fundraising), UNICEF, Beijing, China – Closing date: 14 December 2017
- Voluntary Board Members, The Safe Abortion Action Fund, Flexible – Closing date: 15 December 2017
- Manager - Resourcing Feminist Movements Initiative, Association for Women’s Rights in Development, Flexible – Closing date: 17 December 2017
- Program Officer, Field Operations, Oxfam Canada, Ontario, Canada – Closing date: 29 December 2017
- Program Officer, Monitoring and Evaluation, Oxfam Canada, Ontario, Canada – Closing date: 29 December 2017
- Child Protection Coordinator, International Rescue Committee, Bangladesh – Closing date: Open until filled

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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