



SEXUAL VIOLENCE RESEARCH INITIATIVE



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JOURNAL ARTICLES

[Building caregivers' emotional, parental and social support skills to prevent violence against adolescent girls: findings from a cluster randomised controlled trial in Democratic Republic of Congo.](#) Stark L, Seff I, Asghar K, Roth D, Bakamore T, MacRae M, D'Andon C.F, Falb K.L. *BMJ Glob Health. ePub, 2018*: This study investigates the incremental impact of adding a caregiver component to a life skills programme for adolescent girls, assessing girls' exposure to violence (sexual and others) and caregivers' gender attitudes and parenting behaviours. (Source: *Columbia University*).

[Preventing violence against refugee adolescent girls: findings from a cluster randomised controlled trial in Ethiopia.](#) Stark L, Asghar K, Seff I, Yu G, Gessesse T.T, Ward L, Baysa A.A, Neiman A, Falb K.L. *BMJ Glob Health. ePub, 2018*: This study examines the efficacy of a life skills and safe spaces programme to reduce adolescent girls' experiences of interpersonal violence in a refugee setting. (Source: *Columbia University*).

[Children, parental alcohol consumption, and intimate partner violence: a multi-country analysis by perpetration versus victimization and sex.](#) Graham K, Bernardis S, Laslett A.M, Gmel G, Kuntsche S, Wilsnack S, Bloomfield K, Grittner U, Taft A, Wilson I, Wells S. J. *Interpers. Violence. ePub, 2018*: In this study, authors assess the combined relationship between children and parental alcohol consumption with intimate partner violence victimization and perpetration; and explores possible moderating roles of sex and culture. (Source: *Safetylit*).

[Victim-focussed studies of intimate partner femicide: a critique of methodological challenges and limitations in current research.](#) McPhedran S, Eriksson L, Mazerolle P, Johnson H. *Aggress. Violent Behav. 39, 61-66, 2018*: This study examines dominant approaches used in the study of intimate partner femicide, and discusses strengths and limitations of each approach. (Source: *Safetylit*).

[The intersection of school corporal punishment and associated factors: Baseline results from a randomized controlled trial in Pakistan.](#) Khuwaja H.M.A, Karmaliani R, McFarlane J, Somani R, Gulzar S, Ali T.S, Premani Z.S, Chirwa E.D, Jewkes R. *PLoS ONE. 13(10), ePub, 2018*: In this study, authors use baseline assessments from a cluster randomized controlled trial to examine the prevalence of school corporal punishment, by gender, and the relationship to levels of peer violence at school, parent corporal punishment, youth food security and youth academic performance and school attendance in Pakistan. (Source: *PLoS ONE*).

["If he's abusing you . . . the baby is going to be affected": HIV-positive pregnant women's experiences of intimate partner violence.](#) Marais A, Kuo C.C, Julies R, Stein D.J, Joska J.A, Zlotnick C. *Violence Against Women. ePub, 2018*: This study explores experiences of recent intimate partner violence (IPV) using qualitative interviews with HIV-positive pregnant women recruited from a clinical setting in South Africa, a location with a high global prevalence of IPV and HIV. (Source: *SAGE Journals*).

ONLINE RESOURCES

[ARROW briefs: Sustainable Development Agenda and young people – recognising voices and claiming rights.](#) Jayawardena A. 2018: This series of briefs aims to consolidate the outcomes of the 2017 Pre-Asia-Pacific Forum on Sustainable Development (APFSD) Youth Forum and the evidence base related to the SDGs and young people, with a focus on ensuring their sexual and reproductive health. (Source: *WUNRN*).

[Customary practice as a justification for abusive action? rape during female initiation school in Mahush by Jerger E. in: Rape Cultures and Survivors. An international perspective. Vol. 1 Rape cultures and their manifestations.](#) Inal T, Smith M.D. (Ed.). Praeger: Santa Barbara, California (USA). 2018: This study analyzes traditional rites of passage that promote harmful practices conflicting with the South African Constitution, Children's Act, and the Human Rights Convention.

[Engaging male caregivers to end early marriage in Lebanon: training modules to accompany programs with adolescent girls.](#) Women's Refugee Commission, Danish Refugee Council. 2017: This curriculum was developed to equip humanitarian staff with a step-by-step roadmap for engaging fathers of adolescent girls in a structured, complementary, and meaningful way to end early marriage. (Source: *MenEngage Connect*).

[What do we know about violence against women and girls and what more do we need to know to prevent it? A summary of the evidence.](#) Fulu E, Heise L. *What Works to Prevent Violence against Women and Girls*: This paper outlines our current knowledge base regarding violence against women and girls (VAWG) and identifies where our understanding needs to be expanded in order to deliver the most sophisticated interventions and impact on the prevalence of VAWG globally. (Source: *What Works to Prevent Violence against Women and Girls*).

BLOGS

[Refugee Children and Intimate Partner Violence: Part II.](#) Lisa Aronson Fontes, 29 October 2018: This blog post examines how to work directly with refugee children impacted by intimate partner violence to boost their resilience and recovery.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Proposals:](#) Young African Women in Leadership – International Day of the Girl Child. Deadline: 1 November 2018.

[Call for Applications:](#) Columbia University – Peace and Social Change Fellowship Program. Deadline: 5 November 2018.

[Call for Proposal](#): UNDP Multi-Country Office / Fiji – Grants to Provide Access to Justice, Counselling and Protection Support Services on Child Abuse, Sexual and Gender-Based Violence and Violence Against Women. Deadline: 9 November 2018.

[Request for Proposal](#): UN Women Georgia – Implementation of a campaign on the private sector's role in advancing gender equality in Georgia. Deadline: 12 November 2018.

[Call for Applications](#): Girls First Fund – Grants to Prevent and Respond to Child Marriage and Early Unions. Deadline: 31 December 2018.

[Call for Nominations](#): Finnish Government's International Gender Equality Prize 2019. Deadline: 31 December 2018.

[Call for Abstracts](#): SVRI Forum 2019 – Time Is Now. Deadline: 25 January 2019.

[Call for Papers](#): Research Methods Case Studies in Medicine and Health. Deadline: Not specified.

EVENTS

- [#Cyberoffenses: Trending topics in assessment and treatment of cyber offenders, 13 November 2018, 3-4 pm EDT](#): This webinar will introduce participants to the most recent research and theories related to individuals who commit online sexual offenses. Specific assessment tools for use in online sex offense cases will be introduced. The presenter will discuss concerns and issues related to risk assessment. Register [online](#).
- [Webinar: The role of digital storytelling in public health, 14 November 2018, 10am Pacific Time](#): Storytelling can be a powerful, multi-dimensional tool for community-based public health program enhancement, strategic communication, and advocacy. Join StoryCenter for an overview of the theory and practice of their work and an exploration of how storytelling can enhance your public health efforts. Register [online](#).
- [I AM NOT FINE, 15 November 2018, Sandton, South Africa](#): It's time to meet rAIInbow, the smart assistant powered by artificial intelligence, available 24/7 to support women who are victims of domestic violence. Join Hi Rainbow to find out how they are using technology to address social justice issues. Register [online](#).
- [Being Heard Webinar, 21 November 2018, 2pm-3pm SAST](#): Join us for fun event to learn more about how the SVRI and the International Centre engaged young people in sexual violence research and events. View information on how to join the webinar [here](#).
- [Psychology of victim blaming of women: messages from new research, 21 May 2019, Birmingham, UK](#): In this event, Jessica Eaton will be presenting new mixed methods research to understand the phenomena of victim blaming, how it impacts upon women, how the general public view women who have been subjected to sexual violence and how professionals attempt to deconstruct self-blame in women and girls who seek support.

VACANCIES

- [Regional Projects Officer](#), SIHA, Kampala, Uganda – Closing date: 1 November 2018.
- [Campaign Coordinator](#), International Campaign for Women's Right to Safe Abortion, London, UK – Closing date: 2 November 2018.
- [Logistics and Administrative Coordinator](#), Association for Women's Rights in Development, Flexible – Closing date: 4 November 2018.
- [International Programs Intern](#), Promundo-US, Washington DC, USA – Closing date: 9 November 2018.
- [Various Technical/Administrative Positions](#), Shan Women's Action Network, Taunggyi, Myanmar – Closing date: 1 December 2018.
- [Women Protection and Empowerment Coordinator](#), International Rescue Committee, Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire – Closing date: Open until filled.
- [Multiple opportunities with Global Fund for Women](#), Global Fund for Women, USA – Closing date: Open until filled.
- [International Gender Expert \(USAID/Colombia Gender Assessment\)](#), Banyan Global, Washington DC, USA – Closing date: Open until filled.
- [Campaigner](#), MADRE, New York, USA – Closing date: Open until filled.
- [Research Program Assistant](#), Global Women's Institute, Washington DC, USA – Closing date: Open until filled.
- [Resource Mobilization and Communication Officer](#), The Fund for Congolese Women, Flexible – Closing date: Open until filled.

NEWS

- [Ethiopia's new president prioritises peace and democracy](#), ISS Today, 29 October 2018.
- [United Nations agencies oppose virginity tests](#), Daily Nation, 19 October 2018.
- [Sex offender registry is not enough to curb sexual violence against women](#), IPS News, 15 October 2018.
- [#MeToo: one year later](#), Voice Male Magazine, 9 October 2018.

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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