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Registration

Please register online as soon as you can to secure your spot for the world’s key research conference on violence against women and other forms of violence driven by gender inequality in low and middle-income countries. Space is filling up fast and registration closes on 30th September 2019.

Online Programme

The SVRI Forum 2019 programme is now available online. Please visit the SVRI Forum programme web page for more information on conference panels and sessions, Four Minute Presentations, participant driven events and networking opportunities.

Participant Driven Events
The SVRI Forum 2019 offers exciting and innovative participant driven events throughout the conference days. Please visit the [web page on participant driven events](#) to RSVP and plan your schedule!

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**JOURNAL ARTICLES**

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Mediated Affect & Feminist Solidarity: Teens' using Twitter to challenge 'rape culture' in and around school

[Conceived through rape/incest? Adoptive parents' experiences managing uncertainty and disclosure surrounding their children's origins. Goldberg A.E, Manley M.H, Frost R.L, McCormick N.M. Fam. Process, ePub, 2019](https://www.safetylit.org): This exploratory study examines how parents discuss their decision-making when adopting children conceived via rape or incest, how they manage varying levels of uncertainty about their children's origins, and whether and how they plan to disclose this information to children. [Source: SafetyLit].

'I am talking about it because I want to stop it': child sexual abuse and sexual violence against women in British South Asian communities. Gill A.K, Harrison K. Br. J. Criminol, 59(3): 511-529, 2019: This article explores the role of socio-cultural factors in violence against women and girls, focusing on child sexual abuse (CSA) and sexual violence (SV) in British South Asian communities. [Source: SafetyLit].


Does perpetrator occupation affect classification of sexual assault? Henry D.S, Merrell L.K, Blackstone S.R, Collazo-Vargas E, Mohl C, Tolerico M, Singley L, Moody S. J. Interpers. Violence, ePub, 2019: This study examines whether the occupation of the perpetrator affected the classification of the event as sexual assault. Participants included a primarily White female sample of undergraduate students (n = 401) at a south-Atlantic university. [Source: SafetyLit].

Does sex of the victim matter? A comparison of rape scripts involving a male or female victim. Carroll M.H, Korenman L.M, Rosenstein J.E. Violence and Gender, 6 (3): 175-186, 2019: This study compares the scripts individuals hold for rape involving male and female victims by
specifically asking participants to write two scripts based on the sex of the victim. Results indicated that in both types of scripts, a “typical” rape consisted of an event that involved one male assailant, who had some degree of previous interaction with the victim; a victim who had been drinking; the use of physical force by the assailant; and lead to negative psychological consequences for the victim. [Source: Libertpub].

**Intimate partner violence-related injuries among Colombian women.** Molinares N.Q, Daugherty J.C, Villarreal R.F et al. Violence and Gender, 6 (3): 196-199, 2019: This study aims to describe the patterns of injuries among female victims of IPV in Colombia, as well as the related demographic and nondemographic factors. [Source: Libertpub].

**Family play therapy in the context of child sexual abuse in South Africa.** Fourie A, Merwe M. Child Abuse Res. South Afr, 20(1): 16-27, 2019: This article provides an overview of a family play therapy intervention developed in the design and early development and pilot testing phase of an intervention research process. [Source: SafetyLit].

**Sexual violence and poor mental health of women: An exploratory study of Uttar Pradesh, India.** Rai R., Rai A.K., Clinical Epidemiology and Global Health, online first, 2019: The objective of the study is to explore the mental health status of the women who faced any type sexual violence. [Source: Science Direct].

**Predicting sexual behaviors from mid-adolescence to emerging adulthood: The roles of dating violence victimization and substance use.** Shorey R.C, Cohen J.R, Kolp H et al. Preventive Medicine, In press, journal pre-proof, Available online 13 September 2019: The purpose of the present study was to determine whether dating violence victimization (psychological, physical, and sexual) and substance use (alcohol and marijuana) predicted sexual behaviors that increase risk for poor outcomes from ages 15–19. [Source: Science Direct].

**Mediated affect & feminist solidarity: Teens’ using Twitter to challenge ‘rape culture’ in and around school.** Ringrose J., Mendes K. Academia.edu, ND: This study explores how teenaged feminist girls use the digital affordances of Twitter to connect their personal experiences of sexism and sexual harassment at school to wider cultural critiques of rape culture creating mediated affective solidarities. [Source: Academia.edu].

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**ONLINE RESOURCES**

**Evidence brief - A school-based intervention reduces physical violence against children in Albania.** The Evaluation Fund, 2019: This evidence brief highlights the key findings of a school-based intervention evaluation conducted in the districts of Berat, Durrës, and Elbasan in Albania. The results of the evaluation are encouraging: researchers found that following the intervention, the use of hitting as discipline decreased by nearly 20%. In addition, they found a significant increase in children’s awareness of and response to violence and their rights to protection. [Source: The Evaluation Fund].
Spotlight Initiative Repository of UN Capacity Development Resources on EVAWG: The Spotlight Initiative repository is now available to aid programme implementation. Contact Heran Ayele and Mallorie Bronfman-Thomas if you would like to contribute resources. [Source: Spotlight Initiative Newsletter].

The forgotten victims: Prisoner experience of victimisation and engagement with the criminal justice system. Day A, Casey S et al, ANROWS, 2019: This research documents a series of interviews with both incarcerated women and service providers in one Australian jurisdiction to arrive at an understanding of help-seeking behaviour and how this might inform service responses. [Source: WUNRN].

JLI Ending Violence Against Children Hub scoping study briefs, Joint Learning Initiative on Faith & Local Communities, 2019: Briefing papers now available based on the three-part study led by Dr Carola Eyber at Queen Margaret University with Dr Selina Palm at Stellenbosch University. [Source: JLI Newsletter].

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS


Call for applications for the Gender Equity Initiative (GEI) in South Africa: Rise Up is accepting applications from civil society, grassroots, community-based, and non-profit organization leaders based in Gauteng Province and Durban to participate in Rise Up’s GEI program and be part of the first cohort of Rise Up leaders in South Africa. Applications close 28th October 2019.

EVENTS

Webinar: Sexual orientation and gender identity in global survey research - How to move toward respectful and meaningful classification in HIV programs, 26 September 2019, 10:00 AM EDT: The purpose of this webinar is to provide recommendations on how to develop closed-ended SOGI questions that are context-specific, meaningful, and respectful to SGM clients, while also fulfilling global data reporting

VACANCIES

- Consultancy to develop plea bargaining guidelines for Prosecutors in gender based violence and violence against children cases in Uganda, UN Women – Closing date: 24th September 2019.
- Program Assistant for US Programs, Promundo US, Washington, DC - Closing date: 30th September 2019.
- Executive Director, AdvocAid, Freetown, Sierra Leone – Closing date: 1st October 2019.
needs for HIV key populations. [Source: MEASURE Evaluation].

UN General Assembly Spotlight Initiative high-level event, 26 September 2019, New York, USA: Join heads of state, high-level representatives from the European Union and the United Nations, survivors of gender-based violence, civil society leaders and other public figures for a discussion on the early results of the Initiative’s programmes, perspectives and partnerships. Register before 20 September 2019.

Webinar: Can culturally appropriate male engagement approaches reduce violence against women and children? 27 September 2019 08:30 AM in Pacific Time (US and Canada): The Rwanda Men’s Resource Center designed the Bandebereho programme to promote positive fatherhood and gender equality amongst expectant fathers, fathers of children under five years, and their partners. Learn more about this programme during the webinar hosted by the Prevention Collaborative. Register online.

The Nairobi Summit on ICPD25, 12 – 14 November 2019, Nairobi, Kenya: This year, the governments of Kenya and Denmark and UNFPA are co-convening the Nairobi Summit on ICPD25, a high-level conference to mobilize the political will and financial commitments we urgently need to finally and fully implement the ICPD Programme of Action. Registration now open.

ANROWS Conference: Evidence to Action, 28 – 30 April 2020, Adelaide, Australia: Australia’s National Research
Organisation for Women’s Safety (ANROWS) welcomes you to attend the 3rd National Research Conference on Violence against Women and their Children. ANROWS will soon be calling for session proposals for the ANROWS 3rd National Research Conference on Violence against Women: Evidence in Action. [Source: ANROWS].

NEWS

To stop sexual violence, we need to change how we engage with kids, Washington Post, 17 September 2019.

Four girls are raped every hour in Brazil, study finds, CNN, 11 September 2019.

Sonke Gender Justice calls on the government to take effective and pragmatic steps to combat the scourge of gender based violence and femicide, Sonke Gender Justice, 5 September 2019.

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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