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JOURNAL ARTICLES

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Balancing fidelity, contextualisation, and innovation: learning from an adoption of SASAI to prevent violence against women in the Dadaab refugee camp. Namy S, Chebrebrhan N, Lwambi M, Hassan R, Wanjiku S, Wagman J, Michau L. Gender & Development, 27(2), 203-219, 2019: In this article, the authors draw on recent research into the International Refugee Committee’s implementation of SASAI in Dadaab, Kenya. In particular, the article focuses on how the refugee camp setting shapes the adaptation and delivery of the SASAI programme and explore the balance to be struck between fidelity to the SASAI methodology, and adaptations to make it suitable for use in this specific humanitarian context. (Source: Raising Voices).

Stepping Stones and Creating Futures intervention to prevent intimate partner violence among young people: cluster randomized controlled trial. Gibbs A, Washington L, Abdelatif F, Chirwa E, Willan S, Shai N, Sikweyiya Y, Mkhwanazi S, Ntini N, Jewkes R. J Adolesc Health. pii: S1054-139X(19)30484-7, 2019: Stepping Stones and Creating Futures aims at transforming gender attitudes and strengthening livelihoods, based on adult learning theories, such as discussion and critical thinking, through group-based activities, such as role-plays, body mapping, and participatory diagramming. This article evaluates whether Stepping Stones and Creating Futures, compared with a wait-list control, can reduce intimate partner violence and strengthen livelihoods. (Source: NRC).

Feminist values in research. Gender and Development, 27(3), 2019: Research underpinned by feminist values is a shared political project aiming to realise women’s rights and gender equality. In this special issue, activists, academics and practitioners working in development share their experiences - including the challenges and lessons - of putting a feminist research agenda into practice. (Source: Oxford Policy & Practice).

Rape without remedy: Congolese refugees in South Africa. Alfaro-Velcamp T, McLoughlin R.H. Cogent Medicine, online first, 2019: This paper elevates narratives of rape alongside the framing of refugee status in human rights discourse, describing this multi-faceted problem with attention to immigration and health laws that derive from commitments to human dignity and justice in the South African Constitution (Sections 7 and 10). (Source: Sonoma State University).

Empirical insights for improving sexual assault prevention: evidence from baseline data for a cluster-randomized trial of IMPower and Sources of Strength. Rosenman E, Samquint C, Friedberg R, Amuynu-nyamongo M, Oguda G, Obiero O, Baiocchi M. Violence Against Women, ePub, 2019: The empirical science of measuring and preventing sexual assault is in its infancy, especially when considering adolescents in developing nations. This paper analyzes pre-intervention data collected in a two-arm cluster-randomized controlled trial of a classroom-based sexual assault prevention program deployed to Class 6 students around Nairobi, Kenya. (Source: Safetylit).

Perpetrators of organised child sexual exploitation (CSE) in the UK: a review of current research. Colley S. J. Sex. Aggress, 25(3); 258-274, 2019: This article provides a review of currently available research and data pertaining to this form of offending. It also considers gaps in existing research and some of the challenges surrounding current data recording. (Source: Safetylit).

Examining the role of pornography and rape supportive cognitions in lone and multiple perpetrator rape proclivity. Palermo A.M, Dadgardoust L, Arroyave S.C, Vettor S, Harkins L. J. Sex. Aggress, 25(3): 244-257, 2019: This study examines the role of pornography use and rape supportive cognitions to influence proclivity. Anonymous online data was collected from 295 male university students to assess the role of rape supportive cognitions and pornography use in predicting lone and MP perpetrator proclivity. (Source: Safetylit).

"As I was walking down the street, four strange guys came and took me under the bridge, where they all raped me": an interpretative phenomenological analysis of the types of rape experienced by men in South Africa. Mgozolozwi S.E, Duma S.E. Am J Mens Health, ePub, 2019: This study determines and describes the types of rape experienced by men by focusing on the contexts in which these rape incidents occur and on the characteristics of those who perpetrate rape against men in order to highlight the circumstances where men are more vulnerable and at risk of rape. (Source: NBCI).

"We were isolated and we had to do whatever they said": violence and coercion to keep adolescents girls from leaving the sex trade in two US-Mexico border cities. Jiménez T.R, Salazar M, Boyce S.C, Brouwer K.C, Orozco H.S, Silverman J.G. J. Hum. Traffick. 5(4), 312-324, 2019: In this study, the authors seek to inform potential efforts to prevent coercion of adolescent girls into the sex trade and to assist those who have already been trafficked. (Source: Safetylit).

Interventions addressing men, masculinities and gender equality in sexual and reproductive health and rights: an evidence and gap map and systematic review of reviews. Ruane-McAteer E, Amin A, Hannatty J, Lynn F, Corbin van Willenswaard K, Reid F, Khosla R, Lohan M. BMI Glob Health. ePub. 2019. In this article, authors provide an interactive evidence and gap map of the total review evidence on interventions engaging men/boys across the full range of WHO sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) outcomes and report a systematic review of the quantity, quality and effect of gender-transformative interventions with men/boys to improve SRHR for all. (Source: NCBI).

BLOGS – SVRI Forum 2019

- Are we doing enough for *D/deaf women and girls?* Jaz Mann: In this blog post, Jaz Mann from DeafKidz International reflects on his experience of the SVRI Forum 2019 and calls for more research with D/deaf women and children particularly on GBV issues - and to consider the need for accessible processes for D/deaf women/children.

- SVRI Forum – ‘Networking working’ ; Willie Manson: The SVRI Forum is a goldmine of opportunity to network with, and learn from researchers and practitioners. Willie Manson from Eradicating Child Sexual Abuse reflects on his time at the Forum and its impact it has had on his project.

- SVRI Forum 2019: Perspectives from a young researcher. Manuela Balliet: SVRI Forum 2019 winner of the Best Young Researcher prize, Manuela Balliet, writes about why she became a researcher and what it is like to be a young researcher attending the Forum.

- Sexual Violence Research Initiative: Top 5 trends to help make violence against women and girls preventable. Katherine Nightingale: CARE colleagues joined experts, researchers, practitioners, campaigners and activists from across the world to hear from them and share CARE’s work. Now the question is how to build on this evidence and where to go from here. (Source: Care International).

- Four ways to act NOW- Jessica Zimmermann and Diego Antoni: What needs to happen to meet Sustainable Development Goal 5.2 on eliminating violence against women and girls? UNDP share their four promising answers from the SVRI Forum 2019. (Source: UNDP).

- The time is now! Preventing violence against women and children requires quality evidence. Alessandra Guedes, Lusajo Kajula and Amber Peterman: UNICEF attended the SVRI Forum to share and meet researchers working on both VAC, as well as VAW, and help build bridges between the two communities. Three of their experts write about key takeaways or points of reflection from the Forum. (Source: UNICEF).

- How is economic security linked to gender-based violence? New insights from the Sexual Violence Research Initiative Forum 2019. Amber Peterman, Shalini Roy and Meghna Ranganathan: The relationship between economic insecurity and gender-based violence is complex and poorly understood—here, the authors round up evidence from the recent biannual SVRI Forum held in Cape Town Oct. 21-25 to highlight what is new and where we go next. (Source: UNICEF).

ONLINE RESOURCES

Ending Violence against women and girls: Evaluating a decade of Australia’s development assistance. Ellisberg M, Fulu E, Warner X, Potts A, Dixit D, Ullman C. Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT). 2019: The Office of Development Effectiveness (ODE) commissioned this strategic evaluation of Australian development assistance for EVAWG to look back over the 10 years since the 2008 ODE evaluation, Violence Against Women in Melanesia and East Timor: Building on Global and Regional Promising Approaches. This current evaluation provides a critical lens for assessing the gains made since 2008 and makes recommendations to guide Australia’s aid program and policy engagement on EVAWG for the next decade. (Source: DFAT).

The Hague Principles on Sexual Violence. Women’s Initiatives for Gender Justice. 2019: Over the course of 2019, over 50 civil society organisations came together to bring the voices of survivors to the forefront of discussions about addressing sexual violence. More than 500 survivors were consulted on what they think makes violence ‘sexual’. Information from consultations was complemented by input from civil society, legal practitioners, academics, and policy makers to create The Hague Principles on Sexual Violence. (Source: Women’s Initiatives for Gender Justice).

RESPECT Women. Preventing violence against women. World Health Organization. 2019: Aiming to end violence against women, a package/framework with infographics on prevention of violence against women - RESPECT – Preventing violence against women: A framework for policymakers, was developed, based on the UN framework for action to prevent violence against women from 2015 and updated new evidence. (Source: WUNRN).

More Than Words, Canada: This project seeks to investigate and learn from the use of Indigenous-focused youth-led survivor engagement through the arts, looking at impacts on the producers themselves (young people) and on their families and communities in relation to their experiences of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV). Project resources can be accessed here. (McGill University).

Guidelines for media and unions to combat online harassment of women journalists. International Federation of Journalists. 2019: This guidelines document encourages media organisations and journalists’ trade unions worldwide to take concrete steps to eradicate online trolling and make clear to women journalists subject to abuse that they will not be left alone. (Source: WUNRN).

Ethical considerations for research and evaluation on ending violence against women and girls. Guidance paper prepared by the Global Women’s Institute (GWI) for the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade. 2018: This document summarises international best practice on VAWG research and evaluation (including DFAT’s own obligations). It makes specific recommendations for DFAT VAWG evaluations, including how ethical considerations will apply to key aspects of the Office of Development Effectiveness (ODE)’s ongoing VAWG evaluation. While it is not intended as a standalone guide, it draws on leading ethical guidelines and references them clearly to allow the user to easily identify sources of additional detail and support. (Source: DFAT).

Women moving mountains: Collective impact of the Dutch MDG3 Fund. How resources advance women’s rights and gender equality. Bathiwal S, Rosenhek S, Miller J. Association of Women’s Rights in Development (AWID). 2013: This analysis is the result of a survey conducted with 25 recipients of the MDG3 Fund to assess their collective contribution to advancing women’s rights and protecting past gender equality gains globally. The research highlights the value of collectively analyzing our achievements to advocate for greater resources for women’s rights. (Source: AWID).
RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

Call for AWID Forum Activities: The 14th AWID International Forum will take place on October 14-17, 2020 and will offer participants many ways to actively engage in different, creative spaces. This call for activities is an invitation to develop the official program with AWID. If you have a feminist reality that you would like to share, we invite you to submit your proposal. AWID is looking for interactive and creative activities that celebrate and share feminist realities that are truly propositional, powerful and infuse us all with hope and energy towards transformation! Applications are welcome until 31 January 2020. [Source: AWID].

EVENTS

- Webinar: Learn how Lancet editors decide which papers to accept for publication, 12 December 2019: Join Heather Van Epps, Editor-in-Chief of The Lancet Rheumatology, to learn about techniques and strategies for preparing your paper to submit to high-impact journals. You will learn how to develop papers for submission to publications like the Lancet family of journals. Do not miss this engaging webinar. Register online.
- Webinar: Building back better - leveraging post-conflict and disaster situations to develop and scale public mental health in Liberia, 18 December 2019: This webinar hosted by McGill University will discuss how key mental health service and policy actors used the momentum of a post-public health disaster setting to: i) improve mental health outcomes for Liberians, ii) develop and enhance community-based services, iii) increase service capacity, and iv) reduce stigma and improve human rights for persons with lived mental health experience. Register online.
- Webinar series: MESA & IADV - Disability justice & sexual violence prevention. Webinars #6–9:
  - Webinar 7: Mental health, neurodiversity, and sexual violence prevention panel by a panel of self-advocates, 10 December 2019.
- Learning, Monitoring and Evaluation Coordinator, Raising Voices, Kampala, Uganda – Closing date: 6 December 2019.
- Technical Advisor, VAW Practice, Raising Voices, Kampala, Uganda – Closing date: 6 December 2019.
- Technical Advisor, VAW Influencing, Raising Voices, Kampala, Uganda – Closing date: 6 December 2019.
- Child and Adolescent Survivors Coordinator (CASi), Gender-Based Violence Area of Responsibility (GBV AoR), Cairo, Egypt (to be confirmed) – Closing date: 15 December 2019.
- AWID Forum Logistics Manager, AWID, Flexible (East or Southeast Asia preferred) – Closing date: 15 December 2019.
- Temporary appointment- Programme Specialist, Spotlight Initiative, Port Vila, Vanuatu – Closing date: 20 December 2019.
- Programme Specialist, Sexual and Reproductive Health, UNFPA, Amman, Jordan – Closing date: 29 December 2019.
- Director of Programs, Physicians for Human Rights, New York, NY, USA - 1 January 2020.
- Manager: Monitoring, Evaluation and Learnings (MEL), CREA, New Delhi, India – Open until filled.

NEWS


1 in 5 men will not reach the age of 50 in the Americas, due to issues relating to toxic masculinity, Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), 18 November 2019.

Muslim survivors of domestic violence need you to listen, HuffPost, 12 November 2019.

Three reasons why an intersectional approach to women’s peace and security agenda is important, Oxfam Views and Voices, 1 November 2019.


Sexual violence is a global issue that requires coordinated evidence-based responses

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