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I. 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.

Do friends really help friends? The effect of relational factors and perceived severity on bystander perception of sexual violence. Bennett S, Banyard V. L. *Psychol. Violence*, 6(1): 64-

72, 2016: This study examines the little researched questions of how the relationship between the bystander and the victim and the bystander and the perpetrator impacts bystander perceptions (whether the situation is a problem and how safe it would be to intervene). [Source: SafetyLit].

Childhood sexual abuse in adolescents adjudicated for sexual offenses: mental health consequences and sexual offending behaviours. Morais H. B, Alexander A. A, Fix R. L, Burkhart B. R. *Sex Abuse*, ePub, 2016: This study intends to examine the effects of Childhood Sexual Abuse (CSA) on 498 male adolescents adjudicated for sexual offenses who represent the small portion of CSA survivors who engage in sexual offenses. [Source: SafetyLit].

The association between military sexual trauma and use of VA and non-VA health care services among female veterans with military service in Iraq or Afghanistan. Calhoun P. S, Schry A. R, Dennis P. A, Wagner H. R, Kimbrel N. A, Bastian L. A, Beckham J. C, Kudler H, Straits-Tröster K. J. *Interpers. Violence*, ePub, 2016: The purpose of this study was to: (a) examine the association between Military Sexual Trauma (MST), combat experiences, and mental health outcomes (i.e., posttraumatic stress disorder [PTSD] and depression); and (b) examine the association of MST and use of Veterans Affairs (VA) and non-VA health care services among female veterans who served in Iraq and Afghanistan. [Source: SafetyLit].

Campus sexual violence resources and emotional health of college women who have experienced sexual assault. Eisenberg M. E, Lust K. A, Hannan P.J, Porta C. *Violence Vict.* ePub, 2016: This article explores the associations between resources on college campuses for sexual violence prevention and the emotional well-being of female students who have experienced sexual assault. [Source: SafetyLit].

Still blaming the victim of intimate partner violence? Women's narratives of victim desistance and redemption when seeking support. Meyer S. *Theor. Criminol*, 20(1): 75-90, 2016: This article presents a theoretical examination of victims' (N = 28) experiences when trying to rebuild a victimization-free identity after having experienced multiple years of severe intimate partner violence (IPV). [Source: SafetyLit].

Challenges to the rapid identification of children who have been trafficked for commercial sexual exploitation. Rafferty Y. *Child Abuse & Neglect*, ePub, 2015: This article focuses on the first step in the protection and recovery process, which is to ensure that procedures are

in place for children's identification, so that they might access timely and appropriate assistance. [Source: Pace University].

[Association between intimate partner violence and child morbidity in South Asia](#). Ferdousy E. Z, Matin M. A. J. *Health Popul. Nutr.* 33(1): 16, 2015: This study investigates the association between intimate partner violence (IPV) against women and its impact on child morbidity in the south Asian region. [Source: SafetyLit].

II. Online publications and resources

[New challenges of freedom of expression: countering online abuse of female journalists](#). Gardiner, B. *OSCE- The Representative on Freedom of the Media*, 2016: This book outlines the international human rights framework and state obligations, and identifies key factors in the effective prevention of and response to online abuse of female journalists. It also puts the issue into a broader context of misogyny and violence against women in our societies, calling for responses at all levels of decision and policy-making to address the root causes of this problem. [Source: WUNRN].

[Intimate partner violence \(IPV\) in South Africa: how to break the vicious cycle](#). Joyner, K. Rees, K. Honikman, S., 2015 (pdf): This IPV policy brief presents the challenge that is faced by South African women who experience IPV. It also offers information on ways in which health and social services can intervene in breaking the vicious cycle. [Source: Stellenbosch University].

[A profile of child marriage in Africa](#). UNICEF, 2015 (pdf): This brochure was produced by the Data and Analytics Section of the UNICEF for the African Girls' Summit on Ending Child Marriage (26-27 November 2015, Lusaka, Zambia). [Source: WUNRN].

[National Child Abuse and Neglect Data System \(NCANDS\), Child File, FFY 2014](#). Children's Bureau, Department of Health and Human Services: This dataset consists of child-specific data of all investigated reports of maltreatment to State child protective service agencies. [Source: Cornell University].

III. Advocacy and awareness raising

[Campaign: Electing a woman UN Secretary General, February 2015](#): A group of like-minded women have come together to launch a campaign to elect a woman as UN Secretary-General when Ban Ki-moon steps down at the end of 2016. The group represents women from academia and civil society with a long record of engagement with the United Nations. Both men and women, individuals and organizations alike are welcome to join the campaign. [Source: WUNRN].

IV. Research opportunities, awards, grants and funding

[Funding opportunity: NRCDV funding alert, 11 \(1/2\), 2016](#): This resource reports on current government funding opportunities available on domestic violence, sexual violence and victim services. Please visit the [website](#) to view and apply for the funding opportunities. [Source: NRCDV].

[Scholarship opportunity: AIDS 2016-21st International AIDS 2016 Conference](#). The purpose of the programme is to support the attendance of individuals who intend to disseminate the information and skills acquired at AIDS 2016 to their organizations and communities and who otherwise would not have the opportunity to attend the conference. People openly living with HIV and/or who belong to a community that is disproportionately affected by HIV are strongly encouraged to apply. Please apply [online](#). [Source: AIDS2016].

V. News

[UN seeks zero tolerance for female genital mutilation, Inter Press Service News Agency, 09 February 2016](#): In this news bulletin, it is reported that The United Nations articulates that it is determined to end female genital mutilation (FGM) – a ritual practiced mostly in Africa, the Middle East, parts of Asia and even among some migrant communities in Europe.

[U.N. Official: Syrian women seek abortions and suffer rapes because of war, USA Today, 04 February 2016](#): The ravages of Syria's civil war include an increase in women who are having

abortions and suffering injuries consistent with rape, a top United Nations official reported this week.

[New Algerian law punishes violence against women, Star Tribune, 02 February 2016](#): The law came into effect this week, in a victory for feminist groups that had fought for years for the legislation, which met resistance from conservative Muslims who view it as interference in family affairs.

[2016 Womanity Award finalists announced, The Womanity foundation, 26 January 2016](#): The foundation will provide three-years of support to two Awardees who will scale-up a successful innovation to prevent violence against women in a new context. The winners of the award will be announced in May 2016 at OuiShare fest in Paris.

VI. Events

[Webinar: What do we mean when we say transactional sex?, 18 February 2016](#). In this web conference, Dr Rebecca Fielding-Miller will be presenting on her study on transactional sex. There will be discussions on how the study found that the social acceptability of the model had important ramifications for what strategy women used to protect themselves from HIV within their relationship. Register [Online](#). [Source: London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine].

[Webinar: Storytelling, participatory media, and international public health and human rights, 09 March 2016](#). This webinar offers an overview of the theory behind the work of StoryCenter's Silence Speaks initiative, a glimpse of current projects focusing on sexual and reproductive health and women's rights. There will be discussions on the introduction to the specific ethical considerations that practitioners and advocates must address in designing impactful storytelling and participatory media efforts around the world. Register [online](#). [Source: StoryCenter].

[Supporting survivors through counselling techniques, 7 April 2016, London, UK](#). This course discovers the means to develop a powerful working relationship with clients who have experienced violence against women and girls, through respect, fostering control, setting boundaries and being trustworthy. Please book [online](#) for attendance. [Source: AVAproject].

Online training: 2016 Summer Research Institute, 13 – 17 June 2016. The National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect (NDACAN) sponsors a Summer Research Institute (SRI) as an online distance learning experience in the secondary analysis of child abuse and neglect data. Participants are selected on a competitive basis and represent a wide variety of disciplines. Applications close: 31 March 2016. [Source: Cornell University].

For more events visit: <http://www.svri.org/calendar.htm>

VII. Vacancies

[Head of Eliminate Violence Against Women and Girls Campaign](#) / Oxfam International / Denmark / Closing date: 12 February 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Senior Humanitarian Response Officer](#) / UNRWA / Damascus, Syria / Closing date: 14 February 2016. [Source: UN].

[Programme Associate/Consultant](#) / WILPF / New York, USA / Closing date: 17 February 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Projects and Resources Manager](#) - (re-advertised) / UNRWA / HQ Amman, Jordan / Closing date: 18 February 2016. [Source: UN].

[SAP Applications Coordinator \(Human Resources Management\)](#) – (re-advertised) / UNRWA / HQ Amman, Jordan / Closing date: 18 February 2016. [Source: UN].

[Project Coordinator, Gender and Security Programme](#) / DCAF / Geneva, Switzerland with frequent travel to Africa / Closing date: 19 February 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Programme Researcher on Economics & Gender Justice](#) / Oxfam / Oxfam, UK / Closing date: 21 February 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Associate Donor Relations and Projects Support Officer \(2 posts\)](#) / UNRWA / Gaza / Closing date: 24 February 2016. [Source: UN].

[Director of Development](#) / New York City Anti-Violence Project / New York, USA / Closing date: 29 February 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Consultancy - Scoping RHRN / ARROW / Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia / Closing date: 29 February 2016.](#) [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Head of Communications / Girls Not Brides / London, UK / Closing date: 04 March 2016.](#)
[Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Latin America Communications Manager / Planned Parenthood Federation of America / South Florida, USA / Closing date: Open until filled.](#) [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Specialist, Digital Fundraising & Supporter Engagement / Planned Parenthood Federation of America / Washington DC, USA / Closing date: Open until filled.](#) [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Philanthropy Coordinator - Principal & Major Gifts / Planned Parenthood of America / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled.](#) [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

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

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