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[Violence Against Children Surveys \(VACS\): towards a global surveillance system. Chiang L.F, Kress H, Sumner S.A, Gleckel J, Kawemama P, Gordon R.N. Injury prevention. 22\(Suppl 1\): i17-i22, 2016:](#) This study provides information about the history, implementation, ethical protections, utility, results, limitations, and future directions of the VACS work. [Source: Safetylit].

[Respectable, disreputable, or rightful? Young Nicaraguan women's discourses on femininity, intimate partner violence, and sexual abuse: a grounded theory situational analysis. Salazar M, Goicolea I, Ohman A. Journal of aggression, maltreatment and trauma. ePub, 2016:](#) This situational analysis study aims to position the discourses that young Nicaraguan women use in their understanding of femininities, male intimate partner violence, and men's sexual violence toward women . [Source: Safetylit].

[Attitudes toward sexual violence survivors: differences across professional sectors in Kenya and the Democratic Republic of the Congo. Ferdowsian H, Kelly S, Burner M, Anastario M, Gohlke G, Mishori R, McHale T, Naimer K. Journal of interpersonal violence. ePub, 2016:](#) This study examines the beliefs and attitudes of 181 professionals from the health care, legal, and law enforcement sectors in the Eastern Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and the Rift Valley region of Kenya, areas with a

high prevalence of sexual violence. [Source: Safetylit].

[Perspective on sexual harassment of women in workplace. Rostamzadeh E, Mehregan R, T. Mediterranean journal of social sciences. 7\(2\): 69-79, 2016](#): This article explores the Iranian women's experience of sexual harassment at workplace, its effects on the harassed female workers and the coping strategies employed by them and the available laws that protect them from sexual harassment misconduct. [Source: Safetylit].

[Insecure attachment orientations and posttraumatic stress in a female treatment-seeking sample of survivors of childhood sexual abuse: a cross-lagged panel study. Murphy S, Elklit A, Hyland P, Shevlin M. Traumatology. 22\(1\): 48-55, 2016](#): This prospective study assesses the temporal relations between attachment anxiety and attachment avoidance and PTSD among a treatment-seeking sample of female survivors of childhood sexual abuse. [Source: Safetylit].

[Child sexual abuse, bullying, cyberbullying, and mental health problems among high schools students: a moderated mediated model. Hébert M, Cénat J.M, Blais M, Lavoie F, Guerrier M. Depress. Anxiety. ePub, 2016](#): This study aims to explore the direct and indirect links between child sexual abuse and cyberbullying, bullying, and mental health problems, and to study maternal support as a potential protective factor. [Source: Safetylit].

[Military sexual assault prevention and male rape myth acceptance. Rosenstein J. E, Mil. Behav. Health. 3\(4\): 207-211, 2015](#): Rape myth acceptance regarding female victims declines following interventions; however, the impact when victims are male is unclear. This cross-sectional study of U.S. Naval Academy midshipmen examines the relationship between an intervention and both types of rape myth acceptance. [Source: Safetylit].

II. Online publications and resources

[Navigating Notification: A Guide to Re-engaging Sexual Assault Survivors Affected by the Untested Rape Kit Backlog. Joyful heart foundation, 2016](#) (pdf): This report will help communities working to eliminate their backlogs of untested rape kits to create survivor-centered, trauma-informed policies and protocols for victim notification. [Source: Joyful Hearts Foundation].

[Mobilising a response to HIV, gender, youth and gender-based violence in South Africa: A toolkit for trainers and programme implementers. Johannesburg: Sexual HIV Prevention Program \(SHIPP\)/Futures Group. U.S. Agency for International Development. 2015](#): This toolkit was produced as part of the Sexual HIV Prevention Project (SHIPP) to support in-house training on gender, HIV, youth, and community mobilisation for programme implementers working on HIV and gender-based violence (GBV) prevention at the district and community levels. The toolkit modules cover a range of topics and can be selected based on organisational needs and specific knowledge gaps among staff and volunteers. [The Soul Beat].

[Building the global safety net for victims of human trafficking: A toolkit for hotlines, Polaris project, 2015](#): This Toolkit breaks down the process of establishing an effective hotline and outlines key considerations in seven core areas of work: foundations in human trafficking; operations; staffing; partnerships; responding to calls; data management; and, outreach and awareness. In addition to sharing overarching concepts that provide a framework, the Toolkit contains practical tips, templates, and resources that hotlines can apply immediately. [Source: WUNRN].

[Current practices and challenges engaging men on campus. McGann P. 2014](#) (Pdf): This report provides insight into how 2014 Office of Violence against Women Campus Program grantees

fostered men as allies in the prevention of sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking. The assessment also provides effective theories and comprehensive steps to engage men in prevention. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

III. Websites and projects

[SVRI website](#): The SVRI is proud to announce the launch of our new and dynamic website! The website is located at the same address: www.svri.org. The new website offers the latest news, events and recent sexual violence and other related research publications.

[Gender and SBCC implementation kit](#): This I-Kit is designed to help users understand gender concepts, theories and frameworks; assess the current level of gender integration in a project; and use a series of tools to uncover new information that can be applied to an existing SBCC strategy or marketing plan. [Source: Prevent Connect].

IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Travel grants for African researchers to attend ESOF 2016](#): EuroScience has been given the opportunity by the [Robert Bosch Stiftung](#) to open a Call for Travel Grants to support African researchers (or exceptionally research administrators) with their travel, registration and accommodation costs to attend [ESOF 2016 in Manchester \(23-27 July 2016\)](#). View information [online](#). [Source: SA Department of Science and Technology].

[Call for papers: International Journal of Qualitative Methods](#): The International Journal of Qualitative Methods is the peer-reviewed interdisciplinary open access journal of the International Institute for Qualitative Methodology (IIQM) at the University of Alberta, Canada. The journal was established in 2002 as an eclectic and international forum for papers reporting original methodological insights, study design innovations, and funded-project proposals using qualitative or mixed methods research that are useful to the global research community. Submit your article [online](#).

V. Advocacy and awareness-raising

[Blog: The Chibok Girls Must Be Found – and Freed, International Crisis Group, 13 April 2016](#): The authors of this blogpost discusses about the 276 schoolgirls who were kidnapped by the insurgent Islamist group Boko Haram. They share their perspectives about this matter and advocate for humanitarian programs for these girls as well as other psychological healing and social rehabilitation programs. [Source: WUNRN].

VI. News

[World Bank Group, SVRI Give Awards for Innovations to Prevent Gender-Based Violence, World Bank, 12 April 2016](#): The World Bank Group and Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI) awarded nine teams from around the world a total of US\$1.2 million in recognition of their innovations to prevent gender-based violence.

[Plan to tackle sexual violence during wars 'at risk without William Hague', The Guardian, 12 April 2016](#): A UK-led campaign against sexual violence in war risks collapsing without the personal leadership of the former foreign secretary William Hague, a parliamentary report has found.

[National Sexual Violence Resource Center recognizes leaders in sexual assault prevention with 2016](#)

[Visionary Voice Awards, GlobeNews wire, 12 April 2016](#): The National Sexual Violence Resource Center, an expert in sexual violence prevention and response, announces 35 recipients of the 2016 Visionary Voice Awards. The multidisciplinary group of honourees is selected for their outstanding work toward ending sexual violence.

VII. Events

[Child aware approaches: Valuing, protecting and promoting child safety and wellbeing, 23-24 May 2016, Brisbane, Australia](#): The aim of the conference is to advance the goals of the National Framework for Protecting Australia's Children 2009 – 2020, the National Plan to Reduce Violence against Women and their Children 2010 – 2022 and advance the wellbeing of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. Book [online](#). [Source: ANROWS].

[Introduction to digital storytelling in public health webinars, 11 May, 13 July and 14 September 2016](#): These free, one-hour webinars offer participants a broad introduction to our work in public health, and an understanding of how our public health partnerships work. The webinars are divided into three sessions, they are as follows: session 1- The role of narrative in public health taking place on 11 May; Session 2 - Who's watching? Sharing public health digital stories for maximum impact taking place on 13 July; Session 3 - Storytelling, participatory media, and international public health and human rights taking place on 14 September. [Source: Story Center].

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

VIII. Vacancies

[Senior Advisor \(Gender, Diversity and Inclusion\)](#) / UNHCR / Geneva, Switzerland / Closing date: 17 April 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Programme Assistant, Gender](#) / Unicef / New York, USA / Closing date: 17 April 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Request for Proposals: Strategic Planning Facilitator\(s\)](#) / AWID / Global / Closing date: 24 April 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Communications, Solidarity and Alliance Building Coordinator](#) / Womin / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 29 April 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Projects Coordinator: Militarisation & Violence Against Women](#) / Consent & Just Development Alternatives / WoMin / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 29 April 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Senior Technical Advisor – Gender Program Design and Resource Mobilization](#) / CARE / Atlanta, USA / Closing date: 29 April 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender Justice and Women's Rights Director](#) / Oxfam / Oxford, UK / Closing date: 03 May 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Women's Leadership and Gender Specialist](#) / Coady International Institute / Antigonish, Canada / Closing date: 06 May 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Communications Interns \(4 positions\)](#) / Akhaya Women / Global / Closing date: Open until filled.

[Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Organizing and Advocacy Coordinator](#) / National Institute for Reproductive Health / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Online Communications Intern](#) / Isis-WICCE / Remote/Kampala, Uganda / 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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