Dear SVRI List Members

Please note that the SVRI Update will be posted on Fridays for the next two weeks due to the 16th of June 2016 being a South African public holiday and on the 23rd of June 2016 the SVRI team will be travelling. The SVRI Update will be posted on 17 and 24 June 2016, respectively. Normal Thursday postings will resume on 30 June 2016.

This SVRI Update contains a variety of sexual violence related research and resources. If you would like to have your sexual violence related resources included in the Update, please send your materials to svri@mrc.ac.za. For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit www.svri.org. Please note that the SVRI Updates are also available on our Facebook page.

Today’s SVRI Update includes the following:

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I. Reminder: SVRI Online Survey

The SVRI Online Survey is still open. Please take a few minutes of your time to complete this short survey to help us evaluate the SVRI. Through this survey, we are seeking your thoughts on what you think the SVRI does well, where we can improve and how we can better promote and build capacity for research on sexual and other forms of violence against women and children in low and middle income countries.

Please access the online survey here or copy this link into your browser: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RJJL7QS.
II. 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.

Is anybody listening? The literature on the dialogical process of child sexual abuse disclosure reviewed. Reitsema A.M, Grietens H. Trauma, Violence & Abuse. 17(3). 330-340, 2016: This article provides an overview of relevant publications on the process of child sexual abuse disclosure, in order to generate new directions for future research and clinical practice. [Source: Sage Journals].

Childhood abuse, intimate partner violence and risk of migraine among pregnant women: an epidemiologic study. Gelaye B, Do N, Avilla S, Carlos Velez J, Zhong QY, Sanchez S.E, Lee Peterlin B, Williams M.A. Headache. ePub. 2016: This study examines the independent and joint associations of childhood abuse and intimate partner violence with migraine among pregnant women. [Source: Safetylit].

How prevalent is campus sexual assault in the United States? Fedina L, Holmes J.L, Backes B. NIJ. 277, 2016: This article explores the prevalence of campus sexual violence in the United States and it offers recommendations for further studies on campus sexual assault. [Source: University of Maryland].

Childhood maltreatment and adulthood domestic and sexual violence victimisation among people with severe mental illness. Anderson F, Howard L, Dean K, Moran P, Khalifeh H, Soc. Psychiatry Psychiatr. Epidemiol. ePub. 2016: This study investigates the association between childhood maltreatment and adulthood domestic and sexual violence victimisation among people with severe mental illness (SMI), and explores this association in terms of gender differences and potential mediators. [Source: Springer Link].


Gender-based violence against female sex workers in Cameroon: prevalence and associations with sexual HIV risk and access to health services and justice. Decker M.R, Lyons C, Billong S.C, Njindam I.M, Grosso A, Nunez G.T, Tumasang F, LeBreton M, Tamoufe U, Baral S. BMJ. 2016: This study describes the prevalence of lifetime GBV and its associations with HIV risk behaviour, access to health services and barriers in accessing justice among FSWs in Cameroon. [Source: BMJ].

Mistreatment of women in childbirth: Time for action on this important dimension of violence against women. Jewkes R, Penn-Kekana L. PloS Med. 12(6). 2015: This study explores the mistreatment of women in childbirth as one of the dimensions of violence against women. It further
discusses the development of policy and practice to prevent mistreatment of women in childbirth. [Source: PLoS Medicine].

III. Online publications and resources

**Ethical considerations for the collection, analysis & publication of child maltreatment data. ISPCAN. 2016:** This study provides practical suggestions to researchers who conduct research on child maltreatment. The study involved three activities: a review of the literature, interviews with key informants who have carried out child maltreatment data studies and the identification of case examples which illustrate ethical dilemmas and how these have been resolved. [Source: ISPCAN].

**Sexual victimisation of children in South Africa Final report of the Optimus Foundation Study: South Africa. UBS Optimus foundation. 2016:** This study estimates the annual incidence and lifetime prevalence of child sexual abuse and maltreatment in South Africa. It further identifies where resources can best be targeted -provides a local evidence base for the development of effective interventions, and identifies whether intervening in one form of abuse or neglect might also have the potential to address other forms of violence. [UBS Optimus foundation].

**Key issues in working with men from immigrant and refugee communities in preventing violence against women. Murdolo A, Quiazon R. White Ribbon Research Series. 2016:** This report explores the key issues in working with men from immigrant and refugee communities in Australia to prevent violence against women. It applies a feminist intersectional approach to the question of men’s engagement and examines a range of issues that need to be considered in the development of primary prevention engagement strategies for immigrant and refugee men. [Source: MenEngageConnect].

**Media representations of violence against women and their children: Final report. ANROWS. 2016:** This project aims to establish the extent and nature of reporting of violence against women by the Australian media to inform future strategies for change. [Source: ANROWS].

**Strategies to advance abortion rights and access in restrictive settings: A cross-country analysis. Pathfinder. 2016:** This technical brief explores strategies adopted to advance abortion access and rights in countries with differing levels of legal and social abortion restrictiveness. [Source: pathfinder].

IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

**Call for papers: SAGE Open:** SAGE Open is an open access publication from SAGE. It publishes peer-reviewed, original research and review articles in an interactive, open access format. Articles may span the full spectrum of the social and behavioural sciences and the humanities. View application guidelines online. [Source: SAGE Open].

V. Websites and projects

**International Society for the Prevention of Child Abuse and Neglect:** ISPCAN is committed to increasing public awareness of all forms of violence against children, developing activities to prevent such violence, and promoting the rights of children in all regions of the world. This website offers a wide range of resources such as publications and other online resources related to the prevention of child abuse and neglect. [Source: ISPCAN].
**Report the abuse: breaking the silence of sexual violence within the humanitarian community:** This project intends to address the nature and extent of incidents of sexual violence in the humanitarian aid community, and how it is being handled by different humanitarian aid agencies. [Source: Report the Abuse].

VI. Advocacy and awareness-raising

**Blog: Ending the invisible violence against Thai female sex workers, 08 June 2016:** Female sex workers face greater risk for gender-based violence. A Thai project wants to change this situation. Read the blog [online].

VII. News

**Latinas harness social media in the fight against sexual violence, humanosphere, 07 June 2016:** The killing of three 12-year-old girls in Argentina, the gang rape of a teenage girl in Brazil and other recent acts of femicide have become symbolic for the movement against sexual violence across Latin America.

**The disturbing thing researchers found when they finally looked at 5,000 untested rape kits, teenvogue, 07 June 2016:** An effort to test almost 5,000 untested rape kits in Cuyahoga County, Ohio, has revealed disturbing new information about sex offenders’ behavior.

**Study shows attitudes toward women key in higher rates of sexual assault by athletes, Phys.Org, 02 June 2016:** An online study of male undergraduates shows that more than half of study participants on intercollegiate and recreational athletic teams – and more than a third of non-athletes – reported engaging in sexual coercion, including rape.

VIII. Events

**LINEA webinar: Offenders on the move, 22 June 2016:** In this webinar, Dr Mark Capaldi and Dorine van der Keur will share the methods for the Global Study on Sexual Exploitation of Children in Travel and Tourism, and highlight findings on the social factors contributing to the sexual exploitation of children in travel and tourism worldwide. They will also point out gaps in knowledge and recommendations for future research. [Source: London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine].

**Online course: CREA’s 5th Disability, Sexuality, and Rights Online Institute, 18 July – 29 August 2016:** CREA’s Disability, Sexuality, and Rights Online Institute is a six weeks long online course begun in 2010, which focuses on a conceptual study of disability and sexuality, and its inter-linkages with issues of feminism, public health, development, violence, media and representation, amongst others, using a rights-based approach. It is intended for practitioners and has a strong component on activists’ initiatives that integrate disability, sexuality, and rights. Apply [online]. Applications close: 30 June 2016. [Source: creaworld].

**Complicated matters: The links between experiences of domestic & sexual violence, substance use & mental ill-health, 21 Sep 2016, London, UK:** Domestic and sexual violence, substance use and mental ill-health are three issues which often co-exist. And when they do, things can become complicated. This training is designed to ‘uncomplicate’ matters by raising awareness about how the three issues
intersect and offer effective ways to engage with individuals and families who are affected by these issues. [Source: AVA].

For more events visit: http://www.svri.org/event-calendar

IX. Vacancies

**Gender Justice Lead** / Oxfam / Beirut, Lebanon / Closing date: 10 June 2016. [Source: Oxfam].

**Program Associate** / Ford Foundation / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 10 June 2016. [Source: Action Appointments].

**Local Gender Specialist** / Banyan Global / Burundi / Closing date: 17 June 2016. [Source: Banyan Global].

**Community Outreach Officer** / Africa Check / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 27 June 2016. [Source: Action Appointments].

**Project Coordinator** / Banyan Global / Washington D.C, USA / Closing date: 02 July 2016. [Source: Devex].

**New Business and Proposal Manager Consultant** / Banyan Global / Washington D.C, USA / Closing date: 08 July 2016. [Source: Devex].

**Research Project Coordinator** / Center on Gender Equity and Health (GEH) / San Diego, CA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: University of California, San Diego].

**Protection Coordinator** / International Rescue Committee / Greece / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

**Senior Protection Coordinator** / International Rescue Committee / Greece / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

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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 promote research on sexual violence and generate empirical data to ensure sexual violence is recognized as a priority public health problem. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website www.svri.org or contact us at svri@mrc.ac.za

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