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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](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za). For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit [www.svri.org](http://www.svri.org). Please note that the SVRI Updates are also available on our [Facebook](#) page.

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I. [Call for blogging](#)

**Invitation: Blogging for the SVRI:** We are pleased to invite guest bloggers with original ideas and fresh outlooks to write for us. Blogs provide an opportunity to teach, share and inspire others. The SVRI and World Bank networks and platforms provide to a global audience of researchers, policy-makers, funders and many others.

Your blog need only to be between 500-1000 words long, but they can be shorter. They need be as long as it takes to get your message across.

Interested bloggers should email their blogs to [svri@mrc.ac.za](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za)

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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.**

[A qualitative analysis of disclosure patterns among women with sexual violence-related pregnancies in Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo. Onyango M.A, Burkhardt G, Scott J, Rouhani S, Haider S, Greiner A, Albutt K, Mullen C, VanRooyen M, Bartels S. PLoS One. 11\(10\), 2016:](#) This study describes the patterns of sexual violence-related pregnancy disclosure and what motivates survivors to disclose to particular individuals. [Source: PLoS ONE].

[Child sexual abuse revictimization: child demographics, familial psychosocial factors, and sexual abuse case characteristics. Hornor G, Fischer B.A. J. Forensic Nurs. ePub, 2016:](#) This study describes child demographics, familial psychosocial factors, and sexual abuse case characteristics in children experiencing sexual abuse revictimization before the age of 18 years, and compares them with children not identified as experiencing revictimization. [Source: Safetylit].

[Non-fatal strangulation in sexual assault: A study of clinical and assault characteristics highlighting the role of intimate partner violence. Zilkens R.R, Phillips M.A, Kelly M.C, Mukhtar S.A, Semmens J.B, Smith D.A. Journal of Forensic and Legal Medicine. 43, 1-7, 2016:](#) This article describes the prevalence, risk factors, signs and symptoms of non-fatal strangulation in women referred to a Sexual Assault Resource Centre (SARC) following recent sexual assault. [Source: Science Direct].

[How can donors improve their support to gender equality in fragile settings? Findings from OECD research. Koester D, Esplen E, Robinson K.B, Castillejo C, O'Neil T. Gender & Development. 3, 2016:](#) This article discusses the research findings from the New Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). [Source: Gender & Development].

[How women's silence secures the peace: analysing sexual and gender-based violence in a low-intensity conflict. Davies S.E, True J, Tanyag M. Gender & Development. 24\(3\), 459-473, 2016:](#) This article highlights the disempowerment of survivors of sexual and gender-based violence, due in large part to the reporting constraints that affect those most likely to be targeted for sexual violence by rival groups, some of whom are closely associated with the peace process. [Source: Gender & Development].

[Intimate partner violence and the Duluth Model: An examination of the model and recommendations for future research and practice. Bohall G, Bautista M.J, Musson S. Journal of Family Violence. 2016:](#) This article identifies the components of the Duluth Model and compares advances in behavioural sciences in order to implement a change in treatment for perpetrators of IPV. [Source: ANROWS].

### III. Online publications and resources

[A national protocol for sexual abuse medical forensic examinations paediatric. U.S. Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women, 2016:](#) This report addresses the health care needs of prepubescent children who disclose sexual abuse or for whom sexual abuse is suspected; promote their healing; and gather forensic evidence for potential use within the criminal justice and/or child protection systems. [Source: International Association of Forensic Nurses].

[Shelters for women and girls who are survivors of violence in Ethiopia. UN Women: Ethiopia Country Office, 2016:](#) This study assesses the availability, accessibility, quality and demand for rehabilitative and reintegration services for women and girl-survivors of violence in Ethiopia. [Source: UN Women].

[Prevention of intergenerational violence in the Netherlands and Europe. Steketee M, Römken R, Pels T, Lünemann K, Smits van Waesberghe E, Mak J, Mejdoubi J, Harthoorn H. 2016:](#) This report focuses on deepening existing insights into the approach in interventions that have proven to work

when it comes to breaking through the intergenerational transference of violence. It further examines whether and how interventions in different fields offer new leads for the development of preventive policy. [Source: WUNRN].

[Health impacts of female genital mutilation/cutting: A synthesis of the evidence “evidence to end FGM/C programme – Research to help girls and women thrive. Kimani S, Muteshi J, Njue C. New York: Population Council, 2016:](#) This review seeks to inform the development of a comprehensive set of training guidelines and materials for frontline health care providers so they can manage the care of women and girls who have undergone FGM/C, prevent the practice at the community level, and accelerate abandonment of FGM/C practices. [Source: WUNRN].

[How communications can change social norms around adolescent girls: Lessons learned from year 3 of a multi-country field study. Watson C, Harper C. 2016:](#) This report explores how communication programmes could be an effective way of challenging gender-discriminatory attitudes and practices. [Source: WUNRN].

#### IV. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Call for inputs: High-level working group on health and human rights of women, children and adolescents:](#) WHO and partners are calling civil society organisations, agencies and partners working on the health and human rights of women, children and adolescents to provide inputs to a High-Level Working Group of Health and Human Rights of Women, Children and Adolescents by 6 November 2016. [Source: WHO].

[Call for Input: Girls Not Brides 2017-2020 Strategy Draft:](#) Girls Not Brides invites you to read the report and send back your feedback by completing this [form](#) by 13 November 2016. . Your input in this final round of consultation will help the organization to understand if they are on the right track, and if there are areas that need further refinement. [Source: WUNRN].

[Funding opportunity: AAUW’s International Fellowship program:](#) The International Fellowships are awarded for full-time study or research in the United States to women who are not U.S. citizens or permanent residents. Both graduate and postgraduate studies at accredited U.S. institutions are supported. Applications are open from 01 August to 01 December annually. [Source: AAUW].

[Funding opportunity: Gates Cambridge Scholarships:](#) Scholarships are awarded to outstanding applicants from countries outside the UK to pursue a full-time postgraduate degree in any available at the University of Cambridge. Application deadline: 07 December 2016. [Source: Africa Health News].

[Call for contributions: International Journal of Qualitative Methods:](#) IJQM is the peer-reviewed interdisciplinary open access journal of the International Institute for Qualitative Methodology (IIQM) at the University of Alberta, Canada. The journal invites researchers to [submit](#) their studies for publication. [Source: SAGE Publications].

#### V. Website

[Gender & Development – Virtual Special Issue: Latin America:](#) This issue has been created for the 13th AWID International Forum, Costa do Sauípe, Bahia, Brazil (8th – 11th September 2016). Topics include violence against women and girls, the work of women’s human rights defenders, youth activism, and natural resource justice. Women in the region face complex economic, social, and political inequalities. Women’s rights activists are working in alliance with progressive development

organisations to tackle these injustices, and bring about positive, necessary, and lasting change in women's lives. [Source: Taylor & Francis Online].

## VI. Advocacy and awareness-raising

[Blog post: Opportunities for prevention: Addressing the intersections of VAW & VAC? Namy S, Carlson C. 26 October 2016](#): Around the world, violence against women (VAW) and violence against children (VAC) are happening in the same communities, homes, and families. Prevalence estimates are sparse, though existing data (largely from high and middle income countries) suggest that as many as 40% of households are characterized by co-occurring VAW and VAC (The co-occurrence of spouse and physical child abuse: a review and appraisal). Despite this reality, research and programs have tended to address each form of violence in isolation. In fact, the fields of VAW and VAC have largely evolved via separate trajectories, with little theoretical or practical integration. Read [more](#).

[Blogpost: Understanding High Impact Practices and Promising High Impact Practices. Dartnall E. 21 October 2016](#): This brief blog describes the High Impact Practices, defined as defined as "effective service delivery or systems interventions that when scaled up and institutionalized, will maximize investments in a comprehensive family planning strategy. Access the blog [here](#).

## VII. News

[Threats of death and violence common for women in politics, report says, The Guardian, 26 October 2016](#): Physical, sexual and psychological violence against female MPs is undermining democracy and efforts to end gender inequality, according to a study of parliamentarians around the world.

[Tunisian coalition party fights for women's rights with gender violence bill, The Guardian, 24 October 2016](#): Though sexual violence and harassment are rife in Tunisia, it is seen as a beacon on women's rights. A draft law could bring reality into line with appearance.

[Movies may help end female genital mutilation, News 24, 19 October 2016](#): A team from Switzerland and Sudan found that changing attitudes through entertainment could contribute to the abandoning of female genital mutilation (FGM).

[Powerful photo collages tell the devastating stories of teen mothers in Senegal, Mashable, 11 October 2016](#): A new photo series is shedding light on gender inequality around the world by focusing on the harrowing stories of young mothers in Senegal. Created by French-Senegalese artist and photographer Delphine Diallo, the series documents the experiences of five women living at La Maison Rose, a shelter for women and girls recovering from sexual exploitation and abuse in the capital city of Dakar.

## VIII. Events

[Webinar: Using genograms and ecomaps to plan and evaluate family interventions - In Portuguese, 11 November 2016](#): During this webinar, Valeria Brahim, Psychologist and Social Programs Director at Asociación Brasileña Terra dos Homens, will shed light on how to use genograms and ecomaps to support planning, and monitoring and evaluation. This webinar will be held in Portuguese. [Source: RISE].

[National Conference on Health and Domestic Violence, 26-28 September 2017, California, USA](#): This Conference brings together people from across the fields of gender based violence, child trauma, advocacy and health care practice and policy together to share promising practices and important research that are supporting and healing communities and preventing future violence. The call for

abstracts is now open and closes on 13 January 2017. [Source: Futures Without Violence].

[Qualitative Health Research Conference, 17-19 October 2017, Quebec City, Canada](#): QHR is a three day annual conference focusing on qualitative research in health disciplines and is held in various Canadian cities every October. Abstract submission opens 04 April 2017. [Source: University of Alberta].

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

## IX. Vacancies

[Advisor for Global Advisory Committee](#) / FRIDA / Global / Closing date: 01 November 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Monitoring Evaluation and Reporting Officer](#) / UNOPS / Mazar, Afghanistan / Closing date: 02 November 2016. [Source: FundsforNGOs].

[Head of Campaigns](#) / ActionAid UK / London, UK / Closing date: 03 November 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Programme and M&E Specialist](#) / UNOPS / Vientiane, Lao People's Democratic Republic / Closing date: 03 November 2016. [Source: UNOPS].

[National Project Officer](#) / UN Women / Manila, Philippines / Closing date: 04 November 2016. [Source: UN Women].

[Health Officer](#) / UNICEF / Ambon, Indonesia / Closing date: 08 November 2016. [Source: UNICEF].

[Regional Director](#) / BOMA / Nanyuki, Kenya / Closing date: 10 November 2012. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Consultancy - Epidemiologist/Researcher Violence Against Women](#) / Department of Reproductive Health and Research (RHR), World Health Organization / Geneva, Switzerland / Closing date: 11 November 2016. [Source: WHO].

[Chief of Party](#) / International Rescue Committee / Democratic Republic of Congo / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Monitoring and Evaluation Manager](#) / International Rescue Committee / Democratic Republic of Congo / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Senior Gender Based Violence Advisor](#) / International Rescue Committee / Democratic Republic of Congo / 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 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.

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