



SEXUAL VIOLENCE RESEARCH INITIATIVE



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Dear SVRI Members,

Welcome to the first SVRI Update of the year.

We hope that you have enjoyed the holiday break and are excited to continue working towards a violence-free world in 2019.

We are looking forward to a busy yet fun year here at the SVRI with exciting activities and events such as: hosting of our [6th global conference – SVRI Forum 2019](#), announcing the [2019 SVRI and WBG Development Marketplace Award](#) winners, writing and publishing [articles](#) and [blogs](#) in collaboration with our grantees and partners, curating and delivering the weekly [SVRI Update](#), and [connecting](#) with you through [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#) and [SVRI Helpdesk](#).

If you would like to have your violence against women and other forms of violence related resources included in the SVRI Update, please send your materials to svri@mrc.ac.za

Best Wishes,
SVRI Secretariat

REMINDER: CALL FOR ABSTRACTS FOR THE SVRI FORUM 2019 OPEN UNTIL 25 JANUARY 2019

This is a gentle reminder from the SVRI Forum 2019 Organising Committee to submit an abstract to share your knowledge, experience and innovative research findings with colleagues from around the world at the SVRI Forum 2019 to be held in Cape Town, South Africa from 21-24 October 2019. SVRI Forum 2019's focus is on research working to understand and redress inequity among vulnerable populations to ensure no-one is left behind; research on violence against women and linkages to violence against children, realising the SDGs and research for social change and global movements.

Submit an [abstract online](#) on or before 25 January 2019, 5pm EST.

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PUBLICATIONS BY SVRI AND PARTNERS

[Altered social trajectories and risks of violence among young Syrian women seeking refuge in Turkey: a qualitative study. Wringe A, Yankah E, Parks T, Mohamed O, Saleh M, Speed O, Hémono R, Relyea B, Ibrahim M, Sandhu J.S, Scott J. BMC Women's Health. 19\(9\), 1-8, 2019](#): This study explores risks of gender based violence against Syrian adolescent girls and young women in Turkey and examines how these risks were shaped by their displacement.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

[Students and brides: a qualitative analysis of the relationship between girls' education and early marriage in Ethiopia and India. Raj A, Salazar M, Jackson E.C, Wyss N, McClendon K.A, Khanna A, Belayneh Y, McDougal L. BMC Public Health. 19\(19\), 1-20, 2019](#): Through this study, authors seek to gain insight into obstacles and resilience related to the relationship between girls' education and early marriage in Oromia, Ethiopia and Jharkhand, India, where the practice of early marriage remains common. (Source: *BMC Public Health*).

[Sexual coercion, consent and negotiation: processes of change amongst couples participating in the Indashyikirwa programme in Rwanda. Stern E, Heise L. Cult Health Sex. ePub, 2018](#): This paper explores sexual coercion among married and cohabitating couples from rural Rwanda who participated in Indashyikirwa, a 4-year intimate partner violence prevention programme that included a 5-month couples' curriculum to promote equalitarian, non-violent relationships. (Source: *LSHTM*).

[Partners as possession: a qualitative exploration of intimate partner sexual violence in Freetown, Sierra Leone. Schneider L.T. Journal of Aggression, Maltreatment & Trauma. ePub, 2018](#): This article investigates how sexual assault is conceived in heterosexual relationships in Sierra Leone, and analyses why married or cohabitating women only seldom report the assault they suffer to the police and why cases predominantly end with a dismissal or an out of court solution, euphemistically referred to as 'friendly settlements'. (Source: *University of Oxford*).

["We're going to leave you for last, because of how you are": transgender women's experiences of gender-based violence in healthcare, education, and police encounters in Latin America and the Caribbean. Lanham M, Ridgeway K, Dayton R, Castillo B.M, Brennan C, Davis D.A, Emmanuel D, Morales G.J, Cheriser C, Rodriguez B, Cooke J, Santi K, Evens E. Violence and Gender, ePub, 2018](#): This article provides a deeper understanding of the gender based violence perpetrated against trans women in education, healthcare, justice, and in other state institutions in select Latin America and the Caribbean countries and how this violence prevents trans women from realizing their health and human rights. (Source: *Mary Ann Liebert, Inc., publishers*).

[Changing the norms that drive intimate partner violence: findings from a cluster randomised trial on what predisposes bystanders to take action in Kampala, Uganda. Abramsky T, Musuya T, Namy S, Watts C, Michau L. BMJ Glob. Health. 3\(6\), e001109, 2018](#): This study uses data from the SASA! study, a cluster randomised trial of a community mobilisation intervention in Kampala, Uganda, to explore the role of community members in intimate partner violence prevention and response, both within and outside the context of a holistic community intervention. (Source: *BMJ Journals*).

ONLINE RESOURCES

[National Standard Operating Procedures for the Management of Sexual Violence Against Children. Ministry of Health, Reproductive and Maternal Health Unit, LVCT Health, Population Council, Sweden Government, Norad. 2018](#): This report seeks to enhance the capacity of Health Care Providers and Health Management Teams to respond to and support child survivors of sexual violence. It provides concise detail on the sequence of steps to follow to ensure the appropriate clinical response that a child survivor of sexual violence should receive at each point of the continuum of comprehensive care within the health facility. (Source: *Population Council*).

[Where we're going and where we've been: making the case for preventing sexual violence. RALIANCE and the Berkeley Media Studies Group. 2018](#): This messaging guide provides concrete guidance for advocates to build effective messages that highlight the need for sexual violence prevention. (Source: *Berkeley Media Studies Group*).

[Resilience-based approaches for street-connected children exposed to sexual abuse and sexual exploitation. Building with Bamboo, Consortium for Street Children, Oak Foundation. 2018](#): This report presents learning about resilience-based practice in terms of what it means to work in a resilience-based way and indications about what happens in the context of children's lives when organisations work like this. (Source: *RISE Learning Network*).

[Policy brief: faith actors and the implementation of the global compact on refugees. Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities. 2018](#): The Policy Brief provides a set of recommendations based on evidence concerning the multiple roles that faith and faith actors play across different stages and spaces of forced displacement as related to the Global Compact on Refugees. (Source: *Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities*).

[Resource Brief: Faith Actors and the Implementation of The Global Compact on Refugees. Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities. 2018](#): This targeted resource brief provides a selection of works published by academics, NGOs, and faith actors (FAs) on the role that faith plays in contexts of forced displacement. (Source: *Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Local Communities*).

[Medical and Service Delivery Guidance for Contraceptive Pills, Fourth Edition](#): The 4th edition guidance provides an update on key issues on which clinical recommendations have changed (or become more specific) or on which we now have more knowledge about. Some of these are mechanism of action, the safety of repeated use, interactions between different types of Emergency Contraception (EC) pills, other drugs interactions, and updated recommendation on use of hormonal contraceptives after EC pills. Download the [2018 Medical and Service Delivery Guidance for Emergency Contraception](#). (Source: *International Consortium for Emergency Contraception*).

BLOGS

[Talking Teen Dating Violence \(TDV\) in Tegucigalpa. Schlamm E, Shea J. 17 January 2019](#): In this blog, authors describe ZonaSegura, a project by the Internet Sexuality Information Services, Inc. (YTH), aims to harness the power of youth voices to create a technological solution to address teen dating violence (TDV) and support Honduran young girls and boys who may have similar unfortunate prospects.

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Participation](#): DFID Resource and Support Hub for safeguarding against sexual exploitation, abuse and harassment – survey. Deadline: 27 January 2019.

[Call for Papers](#): Culture, Health and Sexuality Journal – Transformative Approaches for Gender Justice in Sexual and Reproductive Health. Extended Deadline: 31 January 2019.

[Request for Proposals](#): International Rescue Committee – Listen Up! Think Tank Partnership for a “Me Too Index”. Deadline: 1 February 2019.

[Call for Papers](#): Global Public Health Journal – Special Issue on the Contested Global Politics of Pleasure and Danger: Sexuality, Gender, Health and Human Rights. Deadline: 4 February 2019.

[Call for Applications](#): AmplifyChange Strengthening Grants. Deadline: 4 February 2019.

[Call for Nominations](#): Klaus J. Jacobs Research Prize 2019. Deadline: 1 March 2019.

[Call for Papers](#): Violence and Gender Journal – Special Issue on Guns and Gun Violence. Deadline: 15 April 2019.

[Call for Submissions](#): Joint Learning Initiative on Faith and Communities Requests Resources, Case Studies and Recommendations for Interviewees on Anti-Trafficking and Modern Slavery. Deadline: Not specified.

EVENTS

VACANCIES

- [Webinar: Father engagement – addressing the challenges, 23 January 2019, 2- 2:45pm ET](#): Best practices emphasize the importance of engaging fathers across service systems—but how do we do it, and how do we address and resolve some of the more challenging aspects of effective father engagement? Join a conversation with the Fathers’ Support Center in St. Louis, Missouri, to learn more about their model for father engagement and talk about some of the thornier issues related to doing father engagement well. Register [online](#).
- [Webinar: Mobilizing and organizing communities to end child sexual abuse – lessons learned from the Just Beginnings Collaborative, 30 January 2019, 2-3:30pm EST](#): During this webinar, presenters will share their experiences in incorporating indigenous traditions and values to end child sexual abuse in HUD federal housing communities, engaging parents and service providers to prevent child sexual abuse in farmworker communities, and promote holistic conversations about sex and sexuality. Learn from these presenters and their community-centered approaches for mobilizing and organizing to end child sexual abuse. Register [online](#).
- [Webinar: How can population, health, and environment projects learn from Family Planning High Impact Practices? 6 February 2019, 4-5pm SAST](#): Join the webinar to learn more about [Family Planning High Impact Practices](#) (HIPs), a set of evidence-based practices developed by experts in the family planning sector that improve family planning and reproductive health outcomes, and exploring the promising opportunity to expand their use within population, health, and environment (PHE) projects. Register [online](#).
- [Webinar: Parenting programs to prevent family violence - Challenges and opportunities, 7 February 2019, 4pm SAST](#): This webinar brings together practitioners, researchers and activists to openly discuss challenges and new opportunities for feminist-inspired, comprehensive approaches that tackle violence against children and women in the family. Join [online](#).
- [3rd European Conference on Domestic Violence, 1-4 September 2019, Oslo, Norway](#): The conference will focus on a range of research topics related to domestic violence relevant to practice, services and policy development. The deadline for [abstract submission](#) is 1 February 2019.
- [Jhpiego Gender Intern](#), Jhpiego, USA – Closing date: 18 January 2019.
- [Consultant\(s\) – Standard Procedures for the Investigation of Complaints of GBV/SEA](#), World Bank Group, Flexible – Closing date: 21 January 2019.
- [Humanitarian Advocacy Consultant](#), Women Deliver, Flexible – Closing date: 21 January 2019.
- [Program Development Specialist: Gender and Power](#), Oxfam International, Flexible – Closing date: 27 January 2019.
- [Senior Program Officer, Sexual Health and Rights \(Africa\)](#), American Jewish World Service, US (New York)/Kenya/Uganda – Closing date: 28 January 2019.
- [Research Manager for “Empowered Aid: Transforming gender and power dynamics in the delivery of humanitarian aid”](#), CARE International / Global Women’s Institute, Lebanon – Closing date: 31 January 2019.
- [Technical Advisor](#), UNDP, Iraq – Closing date: 2 February 2019.
- [Policy and Partnership Manager \(Francophone Africa\)](#), Ipas, Abidjan, Côte d’Ivoire – Closing date: Open until filled.
- [Peacebuilding Program Intern for Latin America programs](#), Global Network of Women Peacebuilders, New York, USA – Closing date: Open until filled.

NEWS

- [#MeToo sparked surge in awareness about sexual harassment: study](#), Medicalxpress, 22 December 2018.
- [What would a city that is safe for women look like?](#) The Guardian, 13 December 2018.
- [Criminalisation and repressive policing of sex work linked to increased risk of violence, HIV and sexually transmitted infections](#), LSHTM News, 11 December 2018.

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. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website www.svri.org or contact us at svri@mrc.ac.za

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