



SEXUAL VIOLENCE RESEARCH INITIATIVE



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[Networking @ SVRI Forum 2019](#)

Networking is a powerful tool to build relationships, increase personal and professional opportunities, and to grow through what we learn from others. SVRI Forum 2019 is our key networking event and we would like to ensure it continues to be an interactive and invaluable networking opportunity for our delegates. In addition to the Welcome Reception, and [Gala Dinner](#), as well as providing ample time during breaks and lunch to connect, discuss and learn from each other, we would like to create some additional networking opportunities to maximise our time together. We would welcome your thoughts on these opportunities, as well as other ideas you may have for strengthening networking at SVRI Forum. Please send us your ideas, comments and suggestions via this brief, [online survey](#) before 9th July 2019.

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SVRI MEMBER'S REQUEST

Literature request: social norms and corporal punishment/child discipline:

The London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine is conducting a systematic review that explores social norms and corporal punishment/child discipline. We are looking for empirical research exploring the social norms underlying corporal punishment in schools, or child discipline in the home, including studies assessing the quality of interventions. This can be grey literature (including baselines, evaluations, assessments, etc) or academic literature. It can be published or unpublished. The research can involve qualitative, quantitative or mixed methods. Please send any papers to Michelle.Lokot@lshtm.ac.uk by 30th July 2019.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

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[More research is needed on digital technologies in violence against women. Jewkes R, Dartnall E. 4\(6\), e270-e271, 2019](#): In this article, authors emphasize the need for evidence based digital technologies for violence against women prevention and response on a global scale, and more specifically in low and middle income countries.

[Improving health with programmatic, legal, and policy approaches to reduce gender inequality and change restrictive gender norms. Heymann J, Levy J.K, Bose B, Ríos-Salas V, Mekonen Y, Swaminathan H, Omidakhsh N, Gadoth A, Huh K, Greene M.E, Darmstadt G.L on behalf of the Gender Equality, Norms and Health Steering Committee. The Lancet. Gender Equality, Norms, and Health Series. 393\(10190\), 2522-2534, 2019](#): In this study, authors investigate what works in societal, community, and household settings that dramatically influence health outcomes and decrease gender inequalities and restrictive gender norms. (Source: *The Lancet*).

["Change really does need to start from home": impact of an intimate partner violence prevention strategy among married couples in Nepal. McGhee S, Shrestha B, Ferguson G, Shrestha P.N, Bergenfeld J, Clark C.J. J Interpers Violence. ePub, 2019](#): The Change Starts at Home project is a primary prevention strategy to reduce and prevent marital intimate partner violence. This study assesses change, couple concordance, and gendered reporting patterns at intervention midline. (Source: *What Works Global Programme*).

["Regardless, you are not the first woman": an illustrative case study of contextual risk factors impacting sexual and reproductive health and rights in Nicaragua. Luffy S.M, Evans D.P, Rochat R.W. BMC Women's Health. ePub, 2019](#): This study seeks to understand young women's personal experiences of unintended pregnancy in the context of Nicaragua's repressive legal and sociocultural landscape. (Source: *Rollins School of Public Health – Emory University*).

[Ethical considerations for disseminating research findings on gender-based violence, armed conflict, and mental health: a case study from rural Uganda. Mootz J.J, Taylor L, Wainberg M.L, Khoshnood K. Health Hum Rights. 21\(1\), 81-92, 2019](#): This paper describes ethical considerations of designing and disseminating research findings on gender based violence, armed conflict, and mental health (including alcohol misuse) in conflict-affected settings in North-Eastern Uganda. (Source: *NBCI*).

[The relation between exposure to intimate partner violence and childhood dental decay: a scoping review to identify novel public health approaches to early intervention. Lang R, Lorenzetti D.L, Milaney K, Figueiredo R, Weijs C, Smith L.B, McLaren L. J. Can. Dent. Assoc. ePub, 2019](#): This study explores the relation between early childhood dental decay or caries (ECC) and exposure to intimate partner violence as well as opportunities for community-based early interventions to prevent ECC. (Source: *Safetylit*).

[A systematic review of bystander interventions for the prevention of sexual violence. Mujal G.N, Taylor M.E, Fry J.L, Gochez-Kerr T.H, Weaver N.L. Trauma Violence Abuse. ePub, 2019](#): This systematic review summarizes and categorizes the characteristics of sexual violence bystander intervention programs and analyses bystander intervention training approaches for the primary prevention of sexual violence and assault. (Source: *NCBI*).

[Factors associated with past year physical and sexual intimate partner violence against women in Zimbabwe: results from a national cluster-based cross-sectional survey. Shamu S, Shamu P, Machisa M. 11\(sup3\), ePub, 2018](#): In this paper, authors assess the prevalence and factors associated with women's experiences of past-year physical/sexual intimate partner violence using data collected in the 2015 Zimbabwe Demographic Health Survey. (Source: *NCBI*).

[Evaluation of a teen dating violence prevention intervention among urban middle-school youth using youth participatory action research: lessons learned from Start Strong Boston.](#) Beatriz E.D, Lincoln A.K, Alder J, Daley N, Simmons F, Ibeh K, Figueroa C, Molnar B.E. J. *Fam. Violence.* 33(8), 563-578, 2018: This article describes the development and implementation of a youth participatory action research model to evaluate a unique teen dating violence prevention program aimed at preventing teen dating violence among Boston middle-school aged youth. (Source: *Safetylit*).

ONLINE RESOURCES

[WHO consolidated guideline on self-care interventions for health: sexual and reproductive health and rights.](#) WHO. 2019: Self-care interventions are among the most promising and exciting new approaches to improve health and well-being, both from a health systems perspective and for people who use these interventions. This report provides guideline on self-care, which includes health promotion; disease prevention and control; self-medication; providing care to dependent persons; seeking hospital/specialist/primary care if necessary; and rehabilitation, and palliative care. (Source: *WHO*).

[Tackling the taboo: sexuality and gender-transformative programmes to end child, early and forced marriages and unions.](#) CEFM and Sexuality Programs Working Group. 2019: This report focuses on the need to address patriarchal control of adolescent girls' sexuality in the fight against child, early and forced marriage and unions, and highlights the vital role played by gender-transformative programmes. (Source: *CEFM Sexuality Programs Working Group*).

[Outreach and curriculum program in Jordan succeeds in reducing violence against refugee girls.](#) The Evaluation Fund: Reducing Violence Against Children. 2019: This report highlights the key findings of an evaluation conducted in the Al-Hussein Camp for Palestinian Refugees in Amman, Jordan. This includes a significant improvement in the family's attention to their daughters' academic achievement and a significant increase in self-confidence of the girls surveyed. (Source: *The Evaluation Fund: Reducing Violence Against Children*).

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Request for Proposal:](#) UN Women – Provide Technical Support to Assess Capacities and Strengthen Understanding on Gender-Based Violence and Intersectionality with Issues Related to Disability, Gender Identity, Among Other Factors, as Part of Joint UN Efforts and Support of the NAP GBV 2017-2021. Deadline: 2 July 2019.

[Call for Proposal:](#) UN China Gender Fund for Research and Advocacy. Deadline: 2 July 2019.

[Request for Proposal:](#) UN Women – To Strengthen Capacities of Government Institutions, Civil Society and Development Partners on Institutional Obligations Related to Sexual Harassment and Other Forms of Gender-Based Violence. Deadline: 8 July 2019.

[Special Issue Call for Papers:](#) Global Public Health – Social and Gender Norms and Violence Against Children – Exploring Their Role and Strategies for Prevention. Deadline: 26 July 2019.

[Request for Proposals:](#) Seventh Generation Fund for Indigenous Peoples – Thriving Women – Projects that Nurture and Support the Safety, Health and Vitality of Indigenous Women, Girls and Families. Deadline: 11 October 2019.

EVENTS

- [Webinar: experimenting, learning, and moving to a world without violence – an introduction to the resonance network, 11 July 2019, 2:00 PM – 3:30pm EST:](#) Join this first session of a new webinar series from Resonance Network, a community of practice committed to transformative movement making to end violence, and PreventConnect. Guests will explore how they have been energized through connections with the Resonance Network to activate creativity through storytelling and art, engage in healing justice work, and shift state coalitions to an emerging worldview.
- [Webinar: “introduction of the training manual – mental health and gender-based violence, helping survivors of sexual violence in conflict”, 23 July 2019, 9:30am New York Time:](#) The webinar will be co-hosted by the IAWG GBV Sub-Working Group and GBV Area of Responsibility Community of Practice, led by Sarah Martin and Beth Vann. It will be presented by Nora Sveaass, clinical psychologist and Professor at the Department of Psychology, University of Oslo (UiO) Elisabeth Ng Langdal Director at Health and Human Rights Info. Join the webinar to learn and share ideas in how to help survivors of sexual violence in conflict.
- [International Conference on AIDS and STIs in Africa \(ICASA\), 2-7 December 2019, Kigali, Rwanda:](#) The ICASA Conference is the biggest AIDS conference in Africa, with over 10,000 delegates expected from the global village. This year's conference theme is "Aids Free Africa - innovation, community, and political leadership". The conference will be an excellent opportunity to promote inter-sectorial achievements in the AIDS response and to strengthen the partnership among governments, civil society, and development partners.

VACANCIES

- [Child Rights Governance Thematic Head - Senior Manager,](#) Save the Children, Pretoria, South Africa – Closing date: 30 June 2019.
 - [Gender-Based Violence Consultant,](#) WHO Department of Reproductive Health and Research, Home-based – Closing date: 2 July 2019.
 - [Coordinator, Sister-to-Sister Mentorship Program 2019,](#) Nobel Women's Initiative, Ottawa, Canada – Closing date: 2 July 2019.
 - [Women's Rights and Gender Specialist,](#) CARE Canada, Ottawa, Canada – Closing date: 3 July 2019.
 - [Director of Programs,](#) Promundo-US, Washington, DC, USA – Closing date: 12 July 2019.
 - [Policy Reform Expert - Workplace Gender Equality,](#) Abt Associates - Investing in Women program, Makati, Philippines – Closing date: 18 July 2019.
 - [Programme Officer \(2 positions\),](#) Global Alliance Against Traffic in Women, Bangkok, Thailand – Closing date: 19 July 2019.
 - [Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning Director,](#) Jhpiego, Afghanistan – Closing date: Open until filled.
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NEWS

['Impunity reigns': six survivors of sexual violence speak out,](#) The Guardian, 24 June 2019.

[Senior Islamic cleric issues fatwa against child marriage,](#) The Guardian, 21 June 2019.

[Put survivors front and centre](#), IPS News, 20 June 2019.

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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