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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“While we need robust data and large-scale evidence on violence against women and girls (VAWG), in a crisis situation the priority initially is to target resources to ensure that women survivors of violence have access to quality services and support.” – UNWomen and WHO

Read full brief [here](#).

COVID-19 AND GBV-RELATED RESOURCES

[Blog: Domestic violence during COVID-19: are we asking the right questions? Dartnall E, Gevers A, Gould C, Pino A. 26 July 2020:](#) What data should we be using to understand levels of violence against women during COVID-19? And what does the reduction in reporting in South Africa tell us about the nature of abuse, and women’s trust in the systems intended to support them? [Read full blog](#).

[Blog: Opportunities for SGBV Data Collection in the Time of COVID-19: The Value of Implementation Science. Undie C, Mathur S, Haberland N, Vieitez I, Pulerwitz J. Population Council. 26 June 2020:](#) This blog presents opportunities for ethical sexual and gender-based violence data collection during the COVID19 pandemic.

[Trying times and trying out solutions: intimate partner violence screening and support for women veterans during COVID-19. Rossi F.S, Shankar M, Buckholdt K, Bailey Y, Israni S.T, Iverson K.M. J Gen Intern Med. ePub, 2020:](#) This study discusses the potential challenges that veteran’s health administration healthcare providers may be encountering when conducting routine intimate partner violence (IPV) screening during the COVID-19 pandemic and when providing resources and support to women veterans experiencing IPV. [Source: [Springer Link](#)].

[Intimate partner violence crisis in the COVID-19 pandemic: how can radiologists make a difference? Matoori S, Khurana B, Balcom M.C, Koh D.M, Froehlich J.M, Janssen S, Kolokythas O, Gutzeit A. Eur Radiol. ePub, 2020:](#) This article aims to raise the awareness of the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on intimate partner violence victims, and also discusses how radiologists in Europe and around the world can make a difference for the victims. [Source: [NBCI](#)].

[Decision tree: Data collection on violence against women and COVID-19. kNowVAWdata, UNFPA, UN Women, WHO. 2020:](#) The decision tree helps organisations with gender-based violence programmes, national statistical offices, policymakers and researchers decide when and how to best collect data on women’s experiences of violence and their access and use of relevant services during the COVID-19 pandemic. [Source: [UNFPA Asia and the Pacific Regional Office](#)].

[COVID-19 and its impact on women’s activism in the Arab region:](#) This webpage shares information on the impact of COVID19 on women from the Arab region. The information is also available in [Arabic](#). [Source: [Karama](#)].

For more resources, visit [SVRI COVID-19 webpage](#)

JOURNAL ARTICLES

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[The role of participation and community mobilisation in preventing violence against women and girls: a programme review and critique. Minckas N, Shannon G, Mannell J. Glob Health Action. 13\(1\), 1775061, 2020:](#) In this article, the authors review the use of community participation as part of violence against women and girls’ prevention programmes for low- and middle-income countries in reference to the relevant theoretical literature on participation and community mobilisation. [Source: [Taylor and Francis](#)].

[Administering the U.S. Family Violence Option: The role of stigma in waiver recommendations. Nikolova K, Steiner J, Postmus J, Hetling A, Johnson L. Health and Social Care in the Community. 00, 1-12, 2020:](#) This study seeks to determine whether the decision-making of advocates responsible for determining waiver recommendations under the Family Violence Option is influenced by the relationship status of domestic violence survivors. [Source: [Rutgers School of Social Work](#)].

[Do you believe your partner is capable of killing you? An examination of IPV survivors’ perceptions of fatality risk indicators? Johnson L, Cusano J, Nikolova K, Steiner J, Postmus J.L. Journal of Interpersonal Violence. ePub, 2020:](#) This study examines risk indicators intimate partner violence survivors associate with fatality risk. The researchers used Classification and regression tree to differentiate between women who believed their partners were capable of killing them and those who did not. [Source: [Rutgers School of Social Work](#)].

[Associations of physical partner violence and sexual violence victimization on health risk behaviours and mental health among university students from 25 countries. Pengpid S, Peltzer K. BMC Public Health. ePub, 2020:](#) This study assesses the associations of physical intimate partner violence and/or sexual violence victimization with various health risk indicators and mental health among university students in 25 countries in the Americas, Africa and Asia. [Source: [BioMed Central](#)].

[Validation of depressive symptoms, social support, and minority stress scales among gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men \(GBMSM\) in Nigeria, Africa: a mixed methods approach.](#) Ogunbajo A, Iwuagwu S, Williams R, Biello KB, Kahler C.W, Sandfort T.G.M, Mimiaga M.J. *BMC Public Health*. 20(1), 1023, 2020: This study determines the validity and reliability of the English versions of the Center for Epidemiologic Studies Depression Scale (CESD-R), Multidimensional Scale of Perceived Social Support (MSPSS), and LGBT Minority Stress Measure among a large multi-state sample of gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men in Nigeria. [Source: *NCBI*].

[Creating a tool for assessing domestic violence risk and impact among TANF clients.](#) Steiner J.J, Johnson L, Hetling A, Lin H.F, Postmus J.L. *Advances in Social Work*, 19(1), 157-180, 2019: From this study, the authors recommend that other states seeking changes to their Family Violence Option (FVO) risk assessment policy and practice explore collaborative partnerships between practitioners and researchers in order to make decisions informed by best practices and systematic research. They should also pursue cross departmental training of risk assessment tools to prevent a siloed approach to FVO implementation. [Source: *Rutgers School of Social Work*].

MEMBER REQUEST

[Survey: Identifying and supporting 'off-radar' children and young people at risk of violence and abuse:](#) For many children and young people, home is not a place of safety but a place of risk. Survivors' Voices, the McPin Foundation, and the Violence Abuse and Mental Health Network want to find practical ways to help identify and support children and young people at risk of violence and abuse. To access the survey and more detailed information, please go to https://kclbs.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_831tV8UY8xXxIRP



BLOGS

[How to include the perspectives of women living with HIV in research.](#) Anam F, Chung C, Otieno T, Tholanah M, Welbourn A. 25 June 2020: We know how violence increases women's vulnerability to HIV by 1.5 and worsens its effects: but will the 23rd International AIDS conference, and other authoritative institutions like journals, publishers, and funders, address this? [Source: *BMJ Sexual and Reproductive Health*].

[For science communication to be effective it should be evidence based.](#) Gerber A, Jensen E. 27 May 2020: Effective communication of science to stakeholders across society is a more pressing issue than it has perhaps ever been. Highlighting ways in which science communication as an area of research and practice has struggled to function as an integrated discipline, Eric Jensen and Alexander Gerber argue that for science communication to continue to develop and deliver impact it has to become more evidence based. [Source: *LSE Impact of Social Sciences Blog*].

PODCASTS

[Strengthening our practice podcast: The ten essential strengths of sexual assault advocates in dual/multiservice agencies:](#) This podcast will help you identify and understand ten essential strengths of sexual assault survivor advocacy. At the end of the podcast, you will find links to resources on enhancing sexual assault advocacy practice in rural dual/multi-service agencies. [Source: *National Sexual Violence Resource Center*].

[Adolescent Development Research: new developments and how they can create better policy-making:](#) In this podcast, Innocenti's Chief of Programmes, Prerna Banati, talks about her 'Handbook of Adolescent Development Research and its Impact on Global Policy'. The conversation shares adolescent development research - and its shortcomings, as well as exploring new research revealed in the book. Prerna shares her insights on how this evidence can be used to inform better policy-making. [Source: *UNICEF Office of Research- Innocenti*]

ONLINE RESOURCES

[Pride in Prevention: A guide to primary prevention of family violence experienced by LGBTIQ communities.](#) Carman M, Fairchild J, Parsons M, Farrugia C, Power J, Bourne A. *Rainbow Health Victoria*. 2020: This guide has been produced to inform primary prevention initiatives aimed at family violence experienced by lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and gender diverse, intersex and queer communities. [Source: *La Trobe University*].

[If he can see it, will he be it? Representations of masculinity in boys' television.](#) Promundo, Geena Davis Institute on Gender in Media at Mount Saint Mary's University, Kering Foundation. 2020: Media has the power to challenge limiting masculine norms in ways that support men's reduced engagement in violence and self-injurious behaviors, and improve their health and happiness. In this report, the authors analyse representations of masculinity in the most popular boys' television programs from 2018. [Source: *Promundo*].

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Applications:](#) 2021 Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative (YSEALI) Women's Leadership Academy Department of State. Deadline: 6 July 2020.

[Call for Proposals:](#) Women's Fund of Central Ohio – Immediate Impact Grant Program. Deadline: 10 July 2020.

[Call for Applications:](#) Capacity Building for GBV Survivor Support Service Providers in Latin America and the Caribbean. Deadline: 14 July 2020.

[Request for Applications:](#) Data for Impact – Small Grants to Support Research in Family Planning. Deadline: 14 July 2020.

[Call for Application:](#) USAID's Resilient, Inclusive, and Sustainable Environments (RISE): A Challenge to Address Gender-Based Violence in the Environment. Deadline: 5 August 2020.

[Call for Proposals in Papua New Guinea:](#) Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund, Spotlight Initiative. Deadline: 21 August 2020.

[Call for Applications](#): Dutch Research Agenda – economic resilience of women in the Netherlands. Deadline: 17 November 2020.



EVENTS

- [AIDS 2020 Virtual Scientific Workshop: PrEParing providers to address partner dynamics and violence in PrEP services, 6 July 2020, 6am PST](#): Intimate partner violence and harmful relationship dynamics impede women's access to HIV services and use of prevention methods including PrEP. This workshop, designed in partnership with USAID and WHO, will increase knowledge of new global guidance tools from WHO, USAID, CHARISMA and OPTIONS to accelerate scale up of evidence-informed approaches to integrating IPV inquiry and response into PrEP programs. New results will be shared from a randomized-controlled trial evaluating the effectiveness of the CHARISMA empowerment counseling intervention with women using oral PrEP in South Africa.
- [Social norms towards gender-based violence measurement and evaluation in humanitarian settings, 15 July 2020, 2pm-3pm BST](#): In this webinar, the presenters will discuss the development of a social norms toward gender based violence measure and the implementation and evaluation of the Communities Care social norms change intervention in humanitarian settings. Register [online](#).
- [CREA's 7th Disability, Sexuality and Rights Online Institute, 17 August - 27 September 2020](#): CREA's course focuses on a conceptual study of disability, gender and sexuality, and its inter-linkages with issues of feminism, race, public health, development, violence, media, representation and law, amongst others. It is intended for practitioners and has a strong component on activists' initiatives that integrate disability, sexuality, and rights. Register [online](#) by 5 July 2020.



VACANCIES

- [Consultants or consulting firm specialised in Webdesign](#), Initiative Sankofa d'Afrique de l'Ouest – ISDAO, Africa – Closing date: 6 July 2020.
- [Programme Manager / Assistant Programme Manager \(Voluntary Position\)](#), The Women in International Affairs Network (WIAN), Flexible – Closing date: 10 July 2020.
- [In-Country Research Consultant](#), Publish What You Fund- Gender Data Project, Kenya, Nepal or Guatemala – Closing date: 10 July 2020.
- [Policy Specialist](#), ActionAid UK, London, UK – Closing date: 12 July 2020.
- [Digital Law and Rights Advisor, Sexual Exploitation Consultant](#), Equality Now, Flexible – Closing date: 16 July 2020.
- [Regional Coordinator - Women's Entrepreneurship](#), CARE USA, Abidjan, Ivory Coast – Closing date: 18 July 2020.
- [Social Media and Communications Intern](#), MenEngage Alliance, Flexible – Closing date: 20 July 2020.
- [Senior Technical Advisor, HIV/AIDS and Health](#), Project Concern International, Washington DC, USA – Closing date: 31 August 2020.



NEWS

- [Sexual harassment is prevalent across all industries and sectors. We can and must stop it](#), The Guardian, 30 June 2020.
- [Being a victim of sexual violence is about more than hashtags and courtrooms – it's time for society to step up support](#), Independent, 30 June 2020.
- [Australian study finds risk of sexual assault and violence significantly higher for trans women of colour](#), ABC News, 26 June 2020.
- [Innovative Responses to Intimate Partner Violence in Humanitarian Settings – Funding opening soon](#), ELRHA News, 25 June 2020.
- [#MeToo founder Tarana Burke explains the link between sexual violence and police brutality](#), Mashable, 25 June 2020.

Violence against women and violence against children are global issues that require coordinated evidence-based responses and prevention programmes

[Sexual Violence Research Initiative](#) (SVRI)

The SVRI is the world's largest network on research on violence against women and violence against children, providing a space where global role players in the field connect with one another, share and promote their research, work to influence policies and practice, particularly in low and middle income countries. [SVRI Strategic Plan 2020-2024](#).

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