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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Violence is not ‘caused’ by COVID – it has been magnified and unveiled by COVID. At a time when people are very much staying home this hidden form of violence is coming out in the open and therefore this goes beyond a COVID-only response that we hope to see long-term action on.” Alessandra Guedes, Manager for Gender and Development Research at UNICEF Office of Research Innocenti, and Co-chair of the SVRI Leadership Council

Watch the full webinar [here](#).

POSTPONEMENT OF SVRI FORUM 2021 DUE TO COVID-19 EPIDEMIC

Virtual dialogue series next year . . . face-to-face once more in 2022

COVID-19 has swept through our lives and created a new reality for us all. In considering the implications for the SVRI Forum coming up in 2021, we have been mindful of the profound changes we have all experienced and the risks that travel and conference attendance will pose until better prevention and treatment is available for this novel virus.

After extensive consultations with SVRI leadership and partners, we have come to the decision to postpone the face-to-face SVRI Forum 2021 and hold it in 2022.

Although this is disappointing news, our new reality offers us an opportunity to meet online in 2021 through a series of virtual events and build the conversation in anticipation of SVRI Forum 2022.

The SVRI Leadership Council, Board and staff look forward to engaging with you in creative and thoughtful ways to design a series of virtual events in 2021 to build up to and inform SVRI Forum in 2022.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Dartnall
Executive Director

COVID-19 AND GBV-RELATED RESOURCES

["I'm kinda stuck at home with unsupportive parents right now": LGBTQ youths' experiences with COVID-19 and the importance of online support.](#) Fish J.N, McInroy L.B, Pacey M.S, Williams N.D, Henderson S, Levine D.S, Edsall R.N. J. *Adolesc. Health.* ePub, 2020: LGBTQ youth are a population who experience unique stressors. This study investigated their experiences with the COVID-19 pandemic via Q Chat Space – a national online chat-based support program. [Source: *Safetylit*].

[COVID-19, domestic violence and abuse, and urgent dental and oral and maxillofacial surgery care.](#) Coulthard P, Hutchison I, Bell J.A, Coulthard I.D, Kennedy H. *Br. Dent. J.* 228(12), 923-926, 2020: This paper describes how to ask questions about domestic violence and abuse (DVA) sensitively and how to make an appropriate referral. Early intervention and referral to a DVA advocate can prevent an abusive situation becoming worse with more intense violence. It can save lives. [Source: *Safetylit*].

[Coronavirus and quarantine: Catalysts of domestic violence.](#) Bouillon-Minois JB, Clinchamps M, Dutheil F. *Violence Against Women.* ePub, 2020: The pandemic of COVID-19 has resulted in quarantines imposed all around the world; these and other restrictions could produce an increase in domestic violence. [Source: *SAGE Journals*].

[Accountability for SRHR in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.](#) Schaaf M, Boydell V, Van Belle S, Brinkerhoff D.W, George A. *Sex Reprod Health Matters.* ePub, 2020: Background governments and international organisations are focused on COVID-19 crisis decision-making. As a result, global and national health governance contexts are changing dramatically, as are the social and political determinants of sexual and reproductive health and rights. [Source: *NCBI*].

[A guidance note for employers: COVID-19 and gender-based violence – workplace risks and responses.](#) IFC. 2020: This guidance note seeks to inform employers about the heightened risks of gender-based violence as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic and outline ways in which employers can address these risks, improve employee and community well-being, and create a safe and resilient workplace. [Source: *IFC*].

[From global coordination to local strategies: a practical approach to prevent, address, and document domestic violence under COVID-19.](#) MADRE, Media Matters for Women, MenEngage Alliance, Nobel Women's Initiative, OutRight Action International, WEI and Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. 2020: This guide is intended for policymakers, service providers, civil society organizations, and journalists and, among other recommendations, calls for these actors to ensure intersectionality in addressing domestic violence during the pandemic, including at the intersection of gender and disability. Available in [Arabic](#), [French](#), [Kurdish](#), [Spanish](#), and [Swahili](#). [Source: *MADRE*].

[Technical guidance: Gender-based violence during COVID-19.](#) Pathfinder International. 2020: This document offers guidance to ministries of health, policymakers, service providers, and other implementing partners on how to continue to safely deliver family planning, comprehensive abortion care, and gender based violence services during COVID19. [Source: *Pathfinder International*].

GBV and COVID19 training materials that have been used in Mozambique: [Training package Health providers](#); [Training package Social Services](#); [Training Package GBV hotline](#); [Training package CVODI19 hotline](#). [Source: GBV CoP].

[Podcast: Episode 4: Using Primero/GBVIMS+ for COVID-19 response](#): In this 4th episode of the UNICEF GBVIE podcast, Caroline Masboungi and Elfriede Kormawa from UNICEF discuss with Ayesha Siddiqa Ireen from Relief International in Bangladesh about the use of Primero/GBVIMS+ in the context of the response to COVID-19 pandemic. [Source: UNICEF].

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

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.

[Disclosure, reporting and help seeking among child survivors of violence: a cross-country analysis. Pereira A, Peterman A, Neijhoft A.N, Buluma R, Daban R.A, Islam A, Kainja E.T.V, Kaloga I.F, Kheam T, Johnson A.K, Maternowska M.C, Potts A, Rottanak C, Samnang C, Shawa M, Yoshikawa M, Palermo T. BMC Public Health. 20\(1051\), 2020](#): This study explores the rarely studied prevalence and dynamics around disclosure, reporting and help-seeking behaviours of children who ever experienced physical and/or sexual violence. [Source: UNICEF Office of Research].

[Determining the existence and strength of teen dating violence policy: testing a comparative state internal determinants model. Black B, Ravi K, Hoefler R. J Interpers Violence. ePub, 2020](#): This study used multiple logistic regression and multiple linear regression to examine predictors of the presence and the strength of state legislation addressing teen dating violence education and school policies. [Source: NBCI].

[Context, types, and consequences of violence across the life course: a qualitative study of the lived experiences of transgender women living with HIV. Lacombe-Duncan A, Olawale R. J Interpers Violence. ePub, 2020](#): This study explores the everyday experiences of violence faced by trans women living with HIV, who live at the intersection of a marginalized gender identity and physical health condition. [Source: SAGE Journals].

[The prevalence of sex trafficking of children and adolescents in the United States: a scoping review. Franchino-Olsen H, Chesworth B.R, Boyle C, Rizo C.F, Martin S.L, Jordan B, Macy R.J, Stevens L. Trauma Violence Abuse. ePub, 2020](#): This scoping review investigated research regarding the magnitude of minor sex trafficking (domestic minor sex trafficking and/or commercial sexual exploitation of children) in the United States, summarizing estimates, methodologies, and strengths and weaknesses of the studies. [Source: Safetylit].

[The effectiveness of educational interventions on traditional bullying and cyberbullying among adolescents: a systematic review and meta-analysis. Ng E.D, Chua J.Y.X, Shorey S. Trauma Violence Abuse. ePub, 2020](#): This systematic review examines the effectiveness of educational interventions at reducing the frequencies of traditional bullying or cyberbullying and cybervictimization among adolescents. [Source: Safetylit].

[Provision of specialized services for children exposed to domestic violence: barriers encountered in Violence Against Women \(VAW\) services. Reif K, Jaffe P, Dawson M, Straatman A.L. Child. Youth Serv. Rev. 109, e104684, 2020](#): This study provides an up-to-date perspective on the barriers that exist to providing child-specific services within violence against women agencies, particularly shelters. [Source: Safetylit].

["Though my father was a killer, I need to know him": children born of genocidal rape in Rwanda and their perspectives on fatherhood. Denov M, Piolanti A. Child Abuse Negl. 107, e104560, 2020](#): This paper aims to explore the realities and perspectives of children born of rape during the 1994 Rwandan genocide and in particular, their views on fatherhood and their biological fathers (who were perpetrators of sexual violence). [Source: Science Direct].

[Intimate partner violence victimization among college students with disabilities: prevalence, help-seeking, and the relationship between adverse childhood experiences and intimate partner violence victimization - Son E, Cho H, Yun SH, Choi YJ, An S, Hong S. Child. Youth Serv. Rev. 110, e104741, 2020](#): This study explores the prevalence of intimate partner violence (IPV) victimization, adverse childhood experiences (ACEs), and help-seeking, the patterns of survivors' help-seeking behaviors, and the relationship between ACEs and IPV victimization. [Source: Science Direct].

MEMBERS' REQUESTS

[Survey: GBV Gap Prioritization](#): Elrha's [Humanitarian Innovation Fund \(HIF\)](#) is working with the [Global Women's Institute \(GWI\)](#) at the George Washington University to undertake a gap analysis of gender based violence programming in humanitarian settings. Through a survey with practitioners and desk review process, a variety of potential priorities have been identified. We ask you now to help us rank them based on what you think are the most important areas where the humanitarian community should prioritize efforts (to create new programming/policies/guidance or improve, scale up or evaluate existing programmes). Complete the survey [here](#) by 19th July 2020.

[Survey on the needs of trans and gender diverse people who have experienced sexual violence](#): The Trans Survivors Network (TSN) seeks to collect information on the needs and experiences of trans and gender diverse people who have had experiences of sexual violence. Many trans and gender diverse people are exposed to unwanted sexual contact, sexual violence, or sexual assault. [This survey](#) is designed to look at whether or not trans and gender diverse people with these experiences seek help, what problems happen in the process of getting help, and how to make it easier to get help. Complete the survey in [Arabic](#), [Bahasa Indonesian](#), [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#), [Russian](#), [Spanish](#), [Swahili](#), or [Vietnamese](#).



BLOGS

[How sexual assault victims become survivors: Culture counts.](#) Patrick W.L. 4 July 2020: Sexual assault is a persistent, under-reported, public health crisis. The fact that victims are far less likely to reveal assaults by known perpetrators than by strangers unfortunately allows abusive relationships to continue for years, undetected. [Source: *Psychology Today*].

[Help someone in an abusive or controlling relationship.](#) Fontes L.A. 29 June 2020: You may have noticed that your friend is acting differently, and you suspect they are being controlled and maybe even abused by their intimate partner. Learn how you can help.

PODCASTS

[Another form of human trafficking: Child and forced marriage:](#) Dr. Sandie Morgan and Dave Stachowiak are joined by Diana Mao, President and Co-Founder of the Nomi Network. They discuss the Nomi Network's unique business strategy, the nature of child and forced marriages, and current challenges of the anti-trafficking movement.

ONLINE RESOURCES

[Webinar recording: Scaling systems change – Norms that transform:](#) On 22 June, Tostan CEO Elena Bonometti hosted a conversation with Faustina Fynn-Nyame and Dr. Rebecka Lundgren on transforming social norms. [Source: *Tostan*].

[Handbook on working towards gender equality in the media. IAWRT & the Gender Mainstreaming Project. Gober G. 2019:](#) This handbook showcases experiences and best practices of working towards advancing gender equality and women's positions in and through the media. [Source: *WUNRM*].

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

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

[Call for Applications:](#) 2020 Learn Africa Program. Deadline: 15 July 2020.

[Call for Applications:](#) Global Network of Women Peacebuilders's Fifth Annual Cora Weiss Fellowship for Young Women Peacebuilders. Deadline: 15 July 2020.

[Request for Applications:](#) SAMRC's Award 2 – Mentorship Award – Capacity Development. Deadline: 17 July 2020.

[Call for Applications:](#) ELRHA's Innovation Challenges Funding Opportunities. Deadline: 7 August 2020.

[Call for Chapters:](#) Research Methods in Times of Crisis – Policy Press. Deadline: Not specified.



EVENTS

- [Building back better after COVID-19 and End Violence against Children, 14 July 2020, 7:30am ET:](#) Side event in the context of HLPF 2020. Register [online](#).
 - [Rethinking participatory research in the pandemic era, 15 July 2020, 10.30-12.00 ITA \(CET\):](#) This event offers a collective learning space to come out with options and alternatives that could be adopted to stay true to the principles and processes of participatory research in the pandemic era. Event questions include: What are the frameworks within the capability approach that enable us to understand the present crisis through participatory research? What have been the lived experiences of the researchers in taking forward their participatory work? Is there scope for methodological negotiations and alternatives that could be recommended for participatory researchers to be able to do justice to their research agenda and objectives? [Register](#) to learn more.
 - [2020 IGWG Plenary: The gendered impact of COVID-19 on Caregivers and Community Health Workers, 19 August 2020, 8:30-10:30am EDT:](#) The novel coronavirus pandemic is revealing global health, social, and economic disparities, and disrupting traditional caregiving and domestic gender roles,
- [In-Country Research Consultant,](#) Publish What You Fund – Gender Data Project, Kenya, Nepal or Guatemala – Closing date: 10 July 2020.
 - [Senior Program Officer, Human Rights and Public Services, and West Africa Lead,](#) The Global Initiative for Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, Dakar, Senegal – Closing date: 12 July 2020.
 - [Sex Workers' Rights Project Specialist,](#) Sonke Gender Justice, Cape Town, South Africa – Closing date: 15 July 2020.
 - [Consultant: Digital Law and Rights Advisor,](#) Sexual Exploitation, Equality Now, Flexible – Closing date: 16 July 2020.
 - [Contracts and Grants Manager,](#) FHI 360, Eswatini – Closing date: 17 July 2020.
 - [Programme Associate, Feminist Development Justice,](#) APWLD, Chiang Mai, Thailand – Closing date: 19 July 2020.
 - [Consultant: Southern African Development Community \(SADC\) Gender-Based Violence Model Law Drafting,](#) UNFPA East and Southern Africa, Johannesburg,



VACANCIES

with profound impacts on gender norms in the health care system. This year's plenary will explore shifting gender norms in caregiving and other household roles, and the gendered impact of the coronavirus pandemic on the health care system. The plenary will highlight the perspectives and experiences of caregivers and community health workers addressing the pandemic and discuss ways to advance gender equality in the home and community. Register [online](#).

South Africa – Closing date: 30 July 2020.

- [Associate Director, Women's Economic Power](#), Women for Women International, Sub-Saharan Africa, Middle East or Central Asia – Closing date: 31 July 2020.
- [Research Associate](#), Equity Forward, Flexible – Closing date: Open until filled.



NEWS

[Nigeria declares 'state of emergency' on rape and sexual assault](#), Global Voices, 3 July 2020.

[When women and children cannot escape their abusers](#), IPS News, 3 July 2020.

['We are in a bubble that is set to burst'. Why urgent support must be given to domestic violence workers](#), The Conversation, 1 July 2020.

[More than 100 Colombian soldiers implicated in sex abuse of minors](#), Army says, New York Times, 1 July 2020.

[Child marriage worries rise amid coronavirus lockdown in Cameroon](#), The New Humanitarian, 11 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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