QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Feminist research requires us to be mindful of our own privilege, our own power and bias, and how that may influence the research process. None of us can be neutral observers, and trying to, or pretending that we are, can be problematic.” - Elizabeth Dartnall, Chi-Chi Undie, Heidi Stöckl, Anik Gevers, Sylvia Namakula, Agnes Grace Nabachwa and Loujine Fattal

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COVID-19 AND GBV RELATED RESOURCES

See below COVID-19 and GBV-related resources that caught our attention this week

GBV AoR. (2021). COVID-19 guidance on remote GBV services focusing on phone-based case management and hotlines. GBV AoR: This resource presents options for adapting gender based violence case management in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic so that survivors can continue to access and receive safe and confidential services. The report focuses specifically on phone-based case management. [Source: GBV AoR].

Fawole, O. I., Okedare, O. O., Reed, E. (2021). Home was not a safe haven: women's experiences of intimate partner violence during the COVID-19 lockdown in Nigeria. BMC Womens Health. 21(1), e32: This paper describes specific scenarios of intimate partner violence reported by women during the COVID-19 pandemic in Nigeria to provide insight for policy and programmatic efforts. [Source: BioMed Central].


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.
Effectiveness of school-based education to address pornography’s influence on young people: A proposed practice framework. American Journal of Sexuality Education. ePub: What should school-based education about pornography look like? This article explains why schools have a key role to play, and proposes a framework for best practice in ‘pornography education’. [Source: It’s time we talked].

Leight, J., Deyessa, N., Verani, F., Tewolde, S., Sharma, V. (2021). Community-level spillover effects of an intervention to prevent intimate partner violence and HIV transmission in rural Ethiopia. BMJ Global Health. 6, e004075: Unite for a Better Life (UBL) is a gender-transformative intervention designed to reduce physical and sexual intimate partner violence (IPV) and HIV risk behaviours and promote healthier, more equitable relationships. This study assesses the programme’s effect on women’s past-year reported experience of physical or sexual IPV, men’s past-year reported perpetration of physical or sexual IPV, HIV risk behaviours, and household gender and power dynamics and task-sharing among the sample of indirect beneficiaries. [Source: Poverty Action Lab].


Naved, R. T., Mamun, M. A., Parvin, K., Willan, S., Gibbs, A., Jewkes, R. (2021). Learnings from the evaluation of HERrespect: a factory-based intervention to prevent intimate partner and workplace violence against female garment workers in Bangladesh. Glob. Health Action. 14(1), e1868960: Based on the evidence that combining programs with women’s economic empowerment can reduce intimate partner violence (IPV) in a community, this study evaluates whether high level of IPV and workplace violence against female garment workers in Bangladesh can be reduced through a factory-based gender-transformative intervention targeting the workers and management. [Source: Taylor and Francis Online].


Wands, Z. E., Mirzoev, T. (2021). Intimate partner violence against indigenous women in Sololá, Guatemala: qualitative insights into perspectives of service providers. Violence Against Women. ePub: This study explores the causes of intimate partner violence (IPV) among indigenous Guatemalans through in-depth interviews with service providers to victims of IPV, specifically social workers, a victim support worker, and a psychologist. [Source: SAGE Journals].


Johnson, L. (2020). Increasing financial empowerment among survivors of intimate partner violence: A growth curve analysis. American Journal of Community Psychology. ePub: This study sought to develop and test a conceptual model for financial empowerment and then use the model to evaluate the effectiveness of a financial literacy intervention at empowering survivors of intimate partner violence. [Source: Temple School of Social Work].
MEMBERS REQUESTS

Call for information and materials: Adaptation of Intimate Partner Violence prevention programs

As the evidence base on effective intimate partner violence (IPV) prevention programming continues to grow, there is a need for guidance and tools to adapt IPV interventions to other contexts. Researchers at Harvard University, together with members of the Unite for a Better Life program team and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative (SVRI) are launching a new project to document learning and best practices around the adaptation of IPV interventions for different contexts including adaptation for different cultural groups, adaptation from non-humanitarian to humanitarian settings, and adaptation to digital modalities. We would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to share information, research and / or experiences on adaptations of evidence-based initiatives to prevent IPV (on your own work or on other work that you are aware of that would be relevant). Kindly send relevant materials or documents to the email address listed below. We will respect the confidentiality and privacy of unpublished data and reports. Please feel free to share this call for information with your network. For more information please contact: Dr. Vandana Sharma at vsharma@hsph.harvard.edu. The deadline for information is 26 February 2021.

I-SHARE (International Sexual Health And REproductive Health) Survey: This global survey aims to examine the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on sexual and reproductive health in diverse low-income, middle-income, and high-income countries. It explores how different isolation measures implemented by governments across the world—in response to the COVID-19 pandemic—have affected family structures, relationships, and access to sexual and reproductive health services. Topics the survey focuses on include contraceptive use, access to reproductive healthcare, sexual/gender-based violence, and sexually transmitted infection prevalence. Click here to complete your country specific survey.

BLOGS

Riggirozzi P., Grugel, J. (2021). Argentina’s legalisation of abortion is only the beginning of the battle for reproductive rights in Latin America. LSE Blog: Legalisation of abortion in Argentina is a huge breakthrough in the struggle for the human rights of women in Latin America. But much work is still to be done if women are to achieve equal citizenship in all aspects of social, economic, cultural, political, and family life instead of being defined by reproduction and motherhood, write Pia Riggirozzi and Jean Grugel. [Source: LSE Blogs].

PODCASTS

What we’re listening to

Hope, Prevention, and the Power of Young People: Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month 2021: In this podcast, PreventConnect talks with Arlene Vassell of the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence and Angela Lee of love is respect about the power of youth to prevent teen dating violence and the role of mainstream agencies and organizations to support youth, teens, and young adults.

WEBINAR RECORDINGS

Your chance to catch up anytime!

Unite for a Better Life: Leveraging podcasts to prevent intimate partner violence: This is the second webinar in a three-part series where Dr. Vandana Sharma and Machrine Birungi highlight good practices and challenges from developing and testing the Unite for a Better Life (UBL) podcast series to prevent intimate partner violence in a Somali refugee setting. Watch the first webinar and the third webinar.
ONLINE RESOURCES

Practice Profile: Selective school-based violence prevention programs: This practice consists of programs designed to prevent or reduce aggressive or violent behaviour in K–12 students who are considered at risk of or who have demonstrated such antisocial behaviours. The practice is rated effective for reducing aggression in students who participated in school-based violence prevention programs, compared with students who did not participate. [Source: National Institute of Justice].


NDI. Fem Link Pacific. USAID. (2020). #NotTheCost: Qualitative Research Report on violence against women in politics in Fiji, Papua New Guinea, and Solomon Islands: This paper examines violence against women in Fiji, PNG, and Solomon Islands to recommend better policies and programmes. [Source: WUNRN].

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS


Call for Applications: Building GBV Evidence in Refugee and Humanitarian Settings Grant. Deadline: 19 February 2021.


EVENTS

VACANCIES
• **A film screening of digital stories about female genital cutting, 5 February 2021, 12:30pm EST**: You are invited to join this screening of a revolutionary storytelling experience that brought storytellers from across the globe to share and heal from their experience of female genital mutilation/cutting. Come view these stories and become a part of the critical mass of voices who are calling for an end to this harmful form of gender-based violence. Register [online](#).

• **NGO CSW65 Youth Preparation Series: Presentation Skills Workshop, 11 February 2021, 3pm ET**: Led by Jenni Prisk, this session will provide you with techniques and skills to present your key messages with clarity, impact and poise, tips for online presentation, strengthen your voice in professional settings. Register [online](#).

• **New toolkit for discussing sexual violence with student athletes, 17 February 2021, 2pm EST**: Documentaries often uncover troubling trends and provide opportunities for change. This webinar will provide you with the tools you need to turn the documentary film Roll Red Roll into a helpful tool for teaching students how to prevent sexual violence. Register [online](#).

• **Quality of Care in Humanitarian Settings, 25 February 2021, 2pm GMT**: This webinar will introduce the recently released [technical package on quality of care in fragile, conflict-affected and vulnerable settings](#). The package presents a flexible approach to planning action on quality, focused

• **Consultancy: R2HC Research impact case study development**, ELRHA, Global – Closing date: 5 February 2021.

• **Programme Officer – Humanitarian Innovation Fund**, ELRHA, London or Cardiff (currently remote) – Closing date: 7 February 2021.

• **Communications and Advocacy Associate**, International Confederation of Midwives, Remote – Closing date: 8 February 2021.

• **Human Rights Officer (Gender/Sexual and Gender-based Violence Specialist) [temporary]**, Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, Kinshasa, Democratic Republic of Congo – Closing date: 9 February 2021.

• **Project Manager**, Save The Children, Prishtina, Kosovo, Closing date: 10 February 2021.


• **International Consultant to Peer Review a Hotline Manual on RH, GBV and COVID-19**, UNFPA, Turkmenistan – Closing date 12 February 2021.

• **Senior Adviser: Gender and Diversity Mainstreaming**, Amnesty International, Flexible – Closing date: 15 February 2021.

• **Project Officer (Protection)**, International Organization for Migration, Maiduguri,
around implementation of a set of evidence-informed quality interventions. Register online.

- **Health Economics in Humanitarian Research, 3 March 2021, 2pm GMT**: In this webinar, Expert Health Economists from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine will be exploring how economic evaluations and other health economics methods can be used to improve our understanding of the economic dimensions of interventions delivered in humanitarian settings. Register online.

- **Safeguarding Matters: The Resource and Support Hub online training series**: The Resource and Support Hub has developed a series of five free and accessible online training modules called Safeguarding Matters. The modules tell the story of a fictional civil society organisation called Family Health Frontiers (FHF). Over the five modules, learners join the FHF team as they seek to become a safer organisation and navigate safeguarding challenges. The modules will be accessible in English, Amharic, Classic Arabic, Hausa, French and Swahili. The first module is available in English. The remaining modules and apps will become available over the next few months.

Nigeria – Closing date: 16 February 2021.

- **Project Manager**, UNDP, Baku, Azerbaijan – Closing date: 17 February 2021.


- **Head of Women’s Entrepreneurship Development**, Cherie Blair Foundation for Women, London, UK – Closing date: 22 February 2021.


- **Technical Director, Gender and GBV**, HIAS, Remote – Closing date: 1 March 2021.


- **Post-Doctoral Research Fellow**, University of North Dakota, USA – Closing date: Not Specified.

- **Advocacy and Comms Specialist**, IAWG Newborn Initiative, IRC, New York, USA – Closing date: Open until filled
NEWS


UN Women. (2021, 2 February). Ending FGM is essential to give girls control over their own lives. UN Women News.


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.

Email svri@svri.org by Wednesday each week if you would like to include something in the SVRI Update.