



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“To address violence against women, there’s an urgent need to reduce stigma around this issue, train health professionals to interview survivors with compassion, and dismantle the foundations of gender inequality,” Dr Claudia Garcia-Moreno, Team lead violence against women, WHO; SVRI Leadership Council Member and SVRI Forum Chair.

[Read the full article](#)

SVRI ANNOUNCEMENTS

[Consultancy: Research Uptake Institutional Approach and Online Course Curriculum Development](#): The SVRI, with support from Sida and an anonymous donor, plans to deliver an open, publicly available online course on research uptake. The SVRI is looking for a consultant to assist in the development of our institutional approach to research uptake and the development of an online course. Download the [Terms of Reference](#). Closing date: 15 March 2021.

COVID-19 AND GBV RELATED RESOURCES

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

[D'Angelo, E. \(2021\). Feminicidios en América Latina: En contextos de pandemia tercer informe. Mundosur](#): El reporte – publicado por la Red Latinoamericana contra la Violencia de Género - presenta un análisis sobre feminicidios en 9 países de América Latina y el Caribe en el contexto de la pandemia provocada por COVID-19. La información proviene de organizaciones territoriales y fuentes oficiales. [Referencia: *Mundosur*].

[Pontalti, K., Williams, T. P. \(2021\). Child Protection Learning Brief #3 - Battling the perfect storm: Adapting programmes to end child marriage during COVID-19 and beyond. UNICEF](#): This learning brief synthesizes evidence on how the COVID-19 pandemic is impacting child marriage risk factors and how UNICEF, within the Global Programme, is pivoting to identify and respond to risk factors and adapt programming to COVID-19 limitations. [Source: *Reliefweb*].

[Chevous, J., Fischer, L., Perot, C., Sweeney, A. \(2021\). Safe, Seen, Supported: How to reach and help children and young people experiencing abuse in their households. Survivors' Voices, the UKRI Violence Abuse and Mental Health Network, King's College London, and the McPin Foundation](#): This report aims to address the magnified risks of child abuse from COVID-19 and the likely significant post-pandemic consequences from increased exposure to abuse. The report identifies key considerations and actions to support children and young people at-risk, both during the pandemic and beyond. [Source: *Violence Abuse and Mental Health Network*].

[Pinchoff, J., Austrian, K., Rajshekhar, N., Abuya, T., Kangwana, B., Ochako, B., Tidwell, J. M., Mwangi, D., Muluve, E., Mbushi, F., Nzioki, M., Ngo, T. D. \(2021\). Gendered economic, social and health effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and mitigation policies in Kenya: evidence from a prospective cohort survey in Nairobi informal settlements. BMJ Open. 11\(3\), e042749](#): COVID-19 may spread rapidly in densely

populated urban informal settlements. Kenya swiftly implemented mitigation policies. This study assesses the economic, social and health-related harm disproportionately impacting women. [Source: *BMJ Journals*].

[Tochie, J. N., Ofakem, I., Ayissi, G., Endomba, F. T., Fobellah, N. N., Wouatong, C., Temgoua, M. N. \(2020\) Intimate partner violence during the confinement period of the COVID-19 pandemic: exploring the French and Cameroonian public health policies - Pan. Afr. Med. J. 35\(Suppl 2\), e54](#): This commentary highlights the effects of intimate partner violence due to COVID-19 confinement in France and explores what may be the effect of an implementation of a COVID-19 confinement law in Cameroon. Also, the authors suggest recommendations to lessen the burden of intimate partner violence in countries with a stay-at-home policy. [Source: *PAMJ*].

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.

[Colombini, M., Scorgie, F., Stangl, A., Harvey, S., Ramskin, L., Khoza, N., Mashauri, E., Baron, D., Lees, S., Kapiga, S., Watts, C., Delany-Moretlwe, S. on behalf of the EMPOWER study team. \(2021\). Exploring the feasibility and acceptability of integrating screening for gender-based violence into HIV counselling and testing for adolescent girls and young women in Tanzania and South Africa. BMC Public Health. ePub](#): This article aims to describe views and experiences on implementing gender based violence screening and referrals within HIV counselling and testing in a larger pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) demonstration project (EMPOWER) that sought to assess the acceptability and feasibility of a package of prevention interventions, including oral PrEP, in South Africa and Tanzania. [Source: *BMC Public Health*].

[Orr, E., Durepos, P., Jones, V., Jack, S. M. \(2021\). Glob. Qual. Nurs. Res. Risk of secondary distress for graduate students conducting qualitative research on sensitive subjects: a scoping review of Canadian dissertations and theses. e2333393621993803](#): This scoping review explores how Canadian graduate students address the personal emotional impact of qualitative research on sensitive topics in their dissertations and examines the reporting of protocols or plans to reduce the risk of secondary distress. [Source: *SAGE Journals*].

[Dixit, A., Bhan, N., Benmarhnia, T., Reed, E., Kiene, S. M., Silverman, J., Raj, A. \(2021\). The association between early in marriage fertility pressure from in-laws' and family planning behaviors, among married adolescent girls in Bihar and Uttar Pradesh, India. Reprod Health. ePub](#): This study examines the association of fertility pressure from in-laws' early in marriage with contraceptive use ever, parity, time until first birth, and couple communication about family size, among married adolescent girls. [Source: *NBCJ*].

[Parcesepe, A. M., Cordoba, E., Gallis, J. A., Headley, J., Tchatchou, B., Hembling, J., Soffo, C., Baumgartner, J. N. \(2021\). Common mental disorders and intimate partner violence against pregnant women living with HIV in Cameroon: a cross-sectional analysis. BMC Pregnancy Childbirth. ePub](#): This study assesses the prevalence of probable common mental disorders (CMD), i.e., depressive or anxiety disorders, and the relationship between probable CMD and recent intimate partner violence among pregnant women living with HIV in Cameroon. [Source: *NBCJ*].

[Dasgupta, S. \(2020\). Violence in commercial sex work: A case study on the impact of violence among commercial female sex workers in India and strategies to combat violence. Violence Against Women. ePub](#): This study examines how violence affects sexual health behavior among commercial female sex workers in a red light district in Calcutta, India. [Source: *SAGE Journals*].

MEMBERS REQUESTS

Call for materials: Tracking Funding for Research on Violence against Women (VAW) in Low- and Middle-Income Countries (LMICs)

The SVRI is working on a study to track funding for research on violence against women (VAW) in and low and middle income countries (LMICs). As part of this process, we are looking for studies that will help map funding for research on VAW. We would greatly appreciate links to related studies, which can be emailed to Joy Watson at watsonjoyann@gmail.com.



BLOGS

[Pearce, J. \(2021, 10 March\). Ending the reproduction of chronic violence in Mexico. LSE Blogs: Security must not reproduce more violence. Instead, it should reveal the human face of society and show that the desire for revenge can be overcome, writes Jenny Pearce. \[Source: LSE\].](#)

PODCASTS

What we're listening to

[The Lancet Psychiatry: Off-radar youth](#): COVID-19 related lockdowns can exacerbate problems for children and young people at risk of abuse. Niall Boyce discusses this with Laura Fischer and Jane Chevous how we can improve outreach and empowerment, and help make sure at-risk youth stay on our radars.

[Dating apps can be a dangerous space for LGBTQ users](#): Members of the LGBTQ+ community have been targeted on dating apps by individuals who seek to harm them. Some have been victims of robbery, assault and hate crimes. A Pew research study shows that 17% of LGBTQ+ users have been threatened with physical violence while using these apps.

WEBINAR/MEETING RECORDINGS

Your chance to catch up anytime!

[Preventing Violence Against Women: Dispatches from the Frontiers of Research and Practice](#). "In trying to create social change, it's important that we don't forget our history because it so often gets lost or even rewritten." In this webinar, Lori Heise gives an account of her career and the emergence of violence against women on the global health agenda.

[A trauma-informed approach: Policing responses to child sexual exploitation](#): In this short film Dr Kristine Hickie, from the University of Sussex, considers a trauma informed approach to child sexual exploitation and how this can be applied to police work in this area.

ONLINE RESOURCES

[Safeguarding Resource and Support Hub \(in Arabic\)](#): The Safeguarding Resource and Support Hub (SRH) is pleased to announce the launch of the SRH website in Arabic. On the Arabic Hub, you can find a range of high-quality guidance, tools and training in Arabic to help you get started or improve your approach to safeguarding. [Source: SRH].

[Murphy, M., Bourassa, A. \(2021\). Gap analysis of gender-based violence in humanitarian settings: A global consultation. Elrha](#): Similar to the first Gap Analysis, this report identifies both operational and systemic challenges faced by the sector, continually acknowledging the complexity and diversity of needs across the sector in order to achieve its intended positive outcomes for women and girls in humanitarian settings. [Source: WUNRM].

[Klaahaan. \(2020\). Policy snapshot: Cambodian sexual and reproductive health rights.](#) [Klaahaan](#): This report provides a foundation for more in-depth research on the current status of sexual and reproductive health rights and related policies in Cambodia. [Source: [Klaahaan](#)].

[Klaahaan. \(2020\). Water and oil? A study of Buddhism and Feminism in Cambodia.](#) [Klaahaan](#): This study examines whether observers of Buddhism and/or feminism view these frameworks as competing or complementary, and explores ways that feminists can work together with Buddhist practitioners/teachers to improve attitudes towards gender equality in Cambodia. [Source: [Klaahaan](#)].

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Papers](#): Special Issue of the American Professional Society on the Abuse of Children (APSAC) Advisor. Deadline: 15 March 2021.

[Call for Concept Notes](#): USAID Collective Action to Reduce Gender-Based Violence (CARE-GBV). Deadline: 17 March 2021.

[Request for Proposals](#): Human Trafficking Research Initiative – Partnership, Piloting, and Seed Grants. Deadline: 21 March 2021.

[Call for Proposals](#): Nordic Gender Equality Fund. Deadline: 31 March 2021.

[Call for Proposals](#): Indigenous Women’s Fund – AYNi 8th Grant Cycle Seed Projects 2021. Deadline: 31 March 2021.

[Call for Proposals](#): Women’s Fund Asia – Strengthening Feminist Movements 2021-2022. Deadline: 2 April 2021.

[Call for Applications](#): Women’s Fund Asia –Leading from South 2021-2022. Deadline: 2 April 2021.



EVENTS

- [Webinar on Violence against women, 2018 estimates, 15 March 2021, 1pm-2:30pm CET](#): This webinar will present key findings of the *Violence against women prevalence estimates, 2018* report. The panel includes data producers and users (policy makers)



VACANCIES

- [Power Up! Programme Coordinator](#), Just Associates (JASS), The Netherlands – Closing date: 12 March 2021.
- [Global Lead, End Harmful Practices](#), Equality Now, Flexible – Closing date:

- from various countries who will highlight the importance and need for strengthening country capacity to produce, collect, report and use prevalence/survey (and other) data on violence against women. Register [online](#).
- [SRHR Advocacy Dialogue #1: Setting the Scene, 16 March 2021, 10am-1pm SAST](#): The dialogue will review current landscape opportunities and risks for sexual reproductive health and rights that will require immediate advocacy to advance the attainment of the Sustainable Development Goal Targets on Good Health and Well-Being (3), Quality Education (4), and Gender Equality (5) in the region. Register [online](#).
 - [Sexual violence against men and boys in Afghanistan: Improving responses for survivors, 16 March 2021, 10:30am BST](#): The event will also mark the release of the study, “Enhancing Survivor-Centred Healthcare Response for Male Victims/Survivors of Sexual Violence in Afghanistan” conducted by All Survivors Project and Youth Health and Development Organisation (YHDO) in three provinces of Afghanistan: Kabul, Balkh and Kandahar, under special measures adopted in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. Register [online](#).
 - [A missing brick for building peace and sustaining women’s movements: flexible institutional funding for local women’s organizations, 16 March 2021, 11am – 12:30pm EST](#): The event will discuss how institutional (core) funding is
- 15 March 2021.
- [Curriculum Development Consultant](#), The Batonga Foundation, Global, Remote or Benin – Closing date: 15 March 2021.
 - [GBV Facilitator](#), HIAS Refugee Trust of Kenya, Kenya – Closing date: 16 March 2021.
 - [Senior Programme Manager](#), Cherie Blair Foundation for Women, London, United Kingdom – Closing date: 17 March 2021.
 - [Strategic Communications Lead](#), Prevention Collaborative, Home-based – Closing date: 19 March 2021.
 - [Advocacy, Media and Communications Director](#), Save the Children, Amman, Jordan – Closing date: 19 March 2021.
 - [Communications Intern](#), XOESE, the Francophone Women’s Fund, Lomé, Togo or home-based – Closing date: 21 March 2021.
 - [Communications Associate](#), XOESE, the Francophone Women’s Fund, Lomé, Togo or home-based – Closing date: 21 March 2021.
 - [Child Protection Coordinator - ECHO Project](#), Save the Children, Thailand – Closing date: 22 March 2021.
 - [Consultant – Grant Making Review](#), Safe Abortion Action Fund (hosted by IPPF), Remote – Closing date: 25

- essential to the survival of local women's organizations and the sustainability of their work in building peace and gender equality. It will highlight the funding gaps for women's organizations that the Covid-19 pandemic exacerbated. The event will take place in English, with simultaneous interpretation in French, Spanish, Russian and Portuguese. Register [online](#).
- [Karama CSW65 Conference, 16-18 March 2021, 3pm Cairo](#): This conference covers the legal, constitutional, and political context of the Arab region and the work to ensure women's full and effective participation and decision-making in public life, as well as the elimination of violence, for achieving gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls. Register [online](#).
 - [Exploring ways to make gender data accessible and actionable: Introducing Equalityathome.org, 18 March 2021, 10am EST](#): Through a unique collaboration between Facebook and experts like the World Bank, UN Women, and Ladysmith, over 450,000 people responded to a global online survey about gender equality. Join the event to explore their answers through the new Dashboard on Gender Equality at Home, register [here](#).
 - [Preventing family violence with gender-transformative parenting programmes, 24 March 2021, 09:00 New York, 16:00 Nairobi, 20:00 Bangkok](#): In this Prevention Collaborative webinar,
- March 2021.
- [Manager – Building Feminist Economies](#), AWID, Remote – Closing date: 28 March 2021.
 - [Monitoring, Evaluation, Learning and Adaptation Specialist](#), World Vision, Lao People's Democratic Republic (the) – Closing date: 31 March 2021.
 - [Outreach and Development Officer](#), Quaker United Nations Office, New York, USA – Closing date: 31 March 2021.
 - [#KeptOn Fellow](#), Access Now, Global Location Options – Closing date: 31 March 2021.
 - [Program Officer](#), Susan Thompson Buffett Foundation, Kigali, Rwanda or Omaha, NE, USA – Closing date: 31 March 2021.
 - [EMAP PLUS Specialist](#), International Rescue Committee, Global – Closing date: 31 March 2021.
 - [Grants and Reporting Specialist](#), Mercy Corps, Yemen – Closing date: 10 April 2021.
 - [Expert on Security for Women's Rights Organisation in the MENA Region](#), medica mondiale e.V., Dohuk, Iraq – Closing date: 11 April 2021.
 - [Program Officer, International Programs](#), Episcopal Relief & Development, Remote - Ghana or USA

presenters will highlight key findings and recommendations from parenting programmes that apply a gender-transformative approach to address intimate partner violence and violence against children together and reflect on how this evidence has been used to strengthen interventions. Register [online](#).

– Closing date: 3 May 2021.

- [Project Manager](#), Medical Aid Films, Remote/London – Closing date: 1 June 2021.
- [Co-Director\(s\)](#), The Shared Agenda Accelerator, Not Specified – Closing date: Open until filled.



NEWS

World Health Organisation. (2021, 9 March). [Devastatingly pervasive: 1 in 3 women globally experience violence - Younger women among those most at risk: WHO](#). *World Health Organisation*.

Roberts, Y. (2021, 8 March). [Culture of misogyny skews justice system against women, claim victims' champions](#). *The Guardian*.

Flood, A. (2021, 5 March). ['It's devastating': Margaret Atwood on a musical project honouring women killed by partners](#). *The Guardian*.

Sherwin, K. (2021, 4 March). [International Women's Day, 2021 – Gender equality is the roadmap we need to overcome our most pressing global challenges](#). *IPS 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](#).

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