QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Dialogue between researchers and practitioners in both the violence against women and mental health spheres can promote access to the full range of psychological interventions that have demonstrated efficacy in addressing mental health needs for survivors in low-income and humanitarian settings" ~ Dan Lakin.

Read the blog here.

SVRI ANNOUNCEMENTS

SVRI Listserv Membership Maintenance

To serve our member better, the SVRI has updated our online join form. The new form gathers information on age categories, organisation type, country, and primary area of interest. This information will help us better understand where our members are based and your areas of interest for us so that we can share more tailored resources and to grow our membership in regions where there are gaps.

We note we do not have full information of all our members. We invite you to complete this form to update your information on our database. We will send targeted emails in the next week to members to request for full information.

We are incredibly grateful for your time in assisting us to update our member database. Should you have any questions please email Morma Moremi at svri@svri.org.

Consultancy Opportunity: Communications Specialist

The SVRI is seeking support from an experienced communications person to develop a communications strategy for the following projects:

- Guidance on ethical funding for research on violence against women and violence against children in low- and middle-income countries.
- Strengthening SVRI contributions towards ending violence against children and child sexual abuse, and advancing our work in these areas in line with our broader organisational strategy.

Closing date: 14th May 2021. View the Terms of Reference here.
**Events**

**How can religious literacy and freedom of religion or belief literacy inform partnerships, especially for promoting gender equality, 27 May 2021, 9:00am ET / 3:00pm SAST:** This webinar a part of a series of webinars co-hosted by OHCHR, UNFPA, UNWOMEN, and the ILU/SVRI Faith and GBV Hub using the peer-to-peer learning methodology of the #Faith4Rights Toolkit. [Register here.](#)

**Faith in GBV response: Exploring relationships and implications for humanitarian practice, 3 June 2021, 11:00am London / 12:00pm SAST:** This webinar hosted by the GBV AoR Community of Practice with ILU/SVRI Faith & GBV Hub, the Institute for Research into Superdiversity (IRiS) at University of Birmingham and EQUISTY Gender Lab will provide a platform for learning exchange and examine the involvement of faith concerns in GBV service provision and make suggestions for how the humanitarian sector might respond. [Register here.](#)

**Blog Posts**

**Dartnall, E., Fields, A.S, Namy, S., Lakin, D., Chigudu, H., Shah, N., Eckman, A., & Garcia-Moreno, C. (2021). Mind-body approaches for healing after sexual violence. Sexual Violence Research Initiative:** The SVRI in partnership with experts on mental health and violence against women held a [webinar](#) to launch SVRI's Knowledge Exchange on Healing from Sexual Violence: Body-focused mental health approaches. This blog shares findings of the Knowledge Exchange along with discussions and resources shared during the webinar.

**Gevers, A., Gonzalez, N., & Mago, A. (2021). Strengthening SVRI's work on VAC/CSA. Sexual Violence Research Initiative:** The SVRI is currently exploring whether and how to strengthen our specific contributions towards ending violence against children and child sexual abuse, and advance our work in these areas in line with our broader strategy goals. We are requesting your inputs which will be vital in shaping this work going forward. See how you can get involved in the consultative processes [here.](#)

**Research Support**

**United Nations Multi-Country Study on Men and Violence in Asia and the Pacific - Dataset:** Over the course of 2010-13, a UN regional programme, [Partners for Prevention](#), undertook a 6 country, study with over 10,000 men asking them about their use and experiences of violence in Asia and the Pacific. The SVRI is now the host of this important dataset. We periodically put out calls for applications from qualified researchers to access the data set for secondary analysis. Access the list of recent papers published using this data [here.](#) For further information please email us at svri@svri.org.

**Research priorities for the intersections between violence against children and violence against women:** The SVRI, UNICEF Innocenti, and the Special Programme on Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction (HRP) hosted by WHO are joining efforts to develop global research priorities on the intersections between VAW and VAC. A consultative, inclusive process among VAW and VAC stakeholders will identify areas where research can enhance coordination, alignment and consistency to address the intersections in innovative and effective ways. Please sign up for the Global Stakeholders list and we will include you in the database.

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**COVID-19 AND GBV RELATED RESOURCES**

*See below COVID-19 and GBV-related resources that caught our attention this week*
Ortiz, R., Kishton, R., Sinko, L., et al. (2021). Assessing child abuse hotline inquiries in the wake of COVID-19: Answering the call. JAMA Pediatr, ePub: Hotlines may serve as alternate means to identify family violence and support at-risk children. This study assessed the volume of calls and texts to a national child abuse hotline during the pandemic compared with the prior year. [Source: SafetyLit].

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 women’s health, 21(1), 32: This paper draws on seven de-identified case reports from organisations serving women experiencing IPV as well as media coverage of IPV cases in Nigeria, between April and May, 2020. [Source: PubMed].

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.


Mahapatro, M., & Kumar, A. (2021). Domestic violence, women’s health, and the sustainable development goals: Integrating global targets, India’s national policies, and local responses. Journal of public health policy, Advance online publication: This review paper aims to develop an evidence-based, integrated life cycle model to alter conditions that perpetuate DV and related vulnerabilities in society. The analyses identify and determine community-based innovative practices and policies. [Source: PubMed].

The qualitative study explores the social, professional, and peer context surrounding IVPs, the experiences of self-cleaning or getting cleaned from a health professional, and the perceived impacts of IVPs among female entertainment workers (FEWs) in Cambodia. (Source: Touro University California).

**BLOGS**

Aronson Fontes, L. (2021, May 12). Domestic violence isn’t about just physical violence – and state laws are beginning to recognize that. The Conversation: Three or more U.S. women are murdered every day by their current or former intimate partner. That may in part be due to a failure of state laws to capture the full range of behavior that constitutes domestic abuse.

**PODCASTS**

**What we’re listening to**

Brené with Oprah Winfrey and Dr. Bruce D. Perry on trauma, resilience, and healing: Through deeply personal conversations, Oprah Winfrey and renowned brain and trauma expert Dr. Bruce Perry offer a groundbreaking and profound shift from asking “What's wrong with you?” to “What happened to you?”

The push to end violence against women in the Asia Pacific: Public health researchers Dr Henriette Jansen and Dr Kristin Diemer join host Ali Moore to discuss the quest to understand the dimensions of violence against women, and programs aimed at bringing about lasting change. A podcast from Asia Institute of the University of Melbourne.

**WEBINAR/MEETING RECORDINGS**

Your chance to catch up anytime!

Mapping funding for GBV activities in the DRC: The methodology used and how they leveraged the results, Regional GBV Working Group for East and Southern Africa, 11 May 2021: In this webinar, the GBV Sub-cluster Coordinator, in the DRC presented the results of a mapping of donor funding for GBV activities that were carried out by members of the Sub-cluster. The presentation is available here.

Building and engaging young leaders: A conversation on youth leadership and the launch of a new MenEngage Strategy, 11 May 2021: In this session the MenEngage Youth Reference group presented the strategy and shared a collective vision for elevating, strengthening, and learning from young voices and youth leadership across networks.
ONLINE RESOURCES

Posetti, J., Shabbir, N., Maynard, D., Bontcheva, K., & Aboulez, N. (2021). The Chilling: Global trends in online violence against women journalists. Research discussion paper. UNESCO: This paper is an output of a wider UNESCO-commissioned global study on online violence against women journalists, with a full-length study to be published in mid-2021. As a means of further informing the forthcoming study, the paper seeks to promote discussion and elicit information about effective legislative, organisational and normative initiatives, aligned to international standards for freedom of expression, which are designed to protect women journalists. [Source: WUNRN].

Our Watch. (2021). Respectful relationships education as part of a national approach to preventing gender-based violence A brief for policy makers: This policy brief provides guidance to education policy makers and bureaucrats as well as other interested stakeholders on how to design, implement, coordinate and monitor evidence-based respectful relationships education [Source: WUNRN].

Comprehensive Research Center on Domestic Violence CIVIF: Based in Colombia, CIVIF carries out research in the area of prevention, protection, care and prosecution of all forms of violence, as well as in the field of comprehensive restoration of rights, non-repetition guarantees, and all kinds of expressions of victimisation and family vulnerability. [Source: CIVIF].

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS


EVENTS

• La pandemia y la(s) violencia(s) de género en México, 14 de mayo 2021, 1:00pm CDMX: ¿Cuáles han sido las violencias que las mujeres han padecido durante el confinamiento? Para responder esta y otras dudas en torno al tema te invitamos al

VACANCIES

• Consultant/Lead Writer (Foundational Elements for GBV in Development) under CARE-GBV Activity, Development Professionals, Inc., Remote - Closing date: 17 May 2021.
• **How to publish scholarly books and open access, 19 May 2021, 12:30pm SAST:** This webinar will cover topics such as the publishing cycle, how to choose a subject, what to think about when you’re writing, and what to do when you’re published.

• **Apolitical - How to champion inclusion in the public service, 15 June 2021, 3:00pm UK:** Explore why inclusive practices are vital in government and learn different techniques and initiatives employed by public servants around the world to make the workplace more inclusive.

• **Safe: Preventing gender-based violence in and through schools, 17 June 2021, 12:00pm ET:** Hear from global leaders, experts, survivors, and youth activists on evidence-based solutions to prevent and respond to violence in school settings.

• **The Generation Equality Forum, Paris, France, 30 June - 2 July 2021:** The GEF is a multi-actor and intergenerational gathering: it encourages all participation. Virtual

• **Consultants (Sector-specific GBV Desk Review and Briefs) under CARE- GBV, Development Professionals, Inc., Remote - Closing date: 17 May 2021.**

• **Consultant, Spotlight GBV Programme Manager, Gender Equality, UNICEF, New York, USA / Home-based - Closing date: 20 May 2021.**

• **Chief Executive, Save the Children, United Kingdom - Closing date: 20 May 2021.**

• **Head of Fundraising and Strategy Development, Impunity Watch, The Hague, Netherlands or Home-Based - Closing date: 20 May 2021.**

• **Programme Development Specialist, Plan International UK, London, United Kingdom - Closing date: 20 May 2021.**

• **Executive Director, Raising Voices, Kampala, Uganda - Closing date: 25 May 2021.**

• **Program Associate, Global Children’s Rights, Wellspring Philanthropic Fund, Washington, D.C. - Closing date: 28 May 2021.**
platform registrations close on 27th June.

**NEWS**


News Medical Life Sciences. (2021, 6 May). *Researchers investigate the impact of natural disasters on violence against women and girls*. NMLS.


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