



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Investing in 'engaging men and boys' without centrally positioning women and girls enables men to have a dialogue about their violence without restitution. Involving men and boys in interventions **with** women and girls can be successful" ~ Prof Rachel Jewkes, South African Medical Research Council.

Access the SVRI and World Bank Group thematic briefs [here](#).

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SVRI Board: Call for applications 2021

The SVRI is seeking applications from a dynamic and kind individual with expertise and experience of the NGO sector, especially with regards to compliance, developing reserves, growth plans and sustainability, resource mobilisation, marketing and/or communications experience and skills. Applications close 15th December 2021. For more information, read the call [here](#).

SVRI online course - we'd appreciate your inputs!

As part of our We Care project, the SVRI aims to develop an open access online course as well as a knowledge exchange series on the subject of wellness, self and collective care. To make sure all the resources we develop are relevant, useful and directly meeting the needs of our members - particularly those in low and middle-income countries - we would be grateful to have your inputs into [this short, anonymous survey](#). It should only take you about 8 minutes to complete and we hope you will help us to share this widely. The survey will close on 26 November 2021.

COVID-19 AND GBV RELATED RESOURCES

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

[Saleem, G.T., Fitzpatrick, J.M., Haider, M.N., & Valera, E.M. \(2021\). COVID-19-induced surge in the severity of gender-based violence might increase the risk for acquired brain injuries. SAGE Open Medicine, ePub](#): This review aims to raise awareness about intimate partner violence–related acquired brain injury within the context of COVID-19. *[SafetyLit]*.

[Garcia, R., Henderson, C., Randell, K., Villaveces, A., Katz, A., Abioye, F., DeGue, S., Premo, K., Miller-Wallfish, S., Chang, J. C., Miller, E., & Ragavan, M. I. \(2021\). The Impact of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Intimate Partner Violence Advocates and Agencies. Journal of family violence, 1–14, ePub](#): This study explores personal challenges and resilience working as IPV advocates during the COVID-19 pandemic; how agencies adapted to the pandemic to support IPV survivors and advocates; and specific needs and challenges of culturally-specific agencies. *[SafetyLit]*.

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.

[Barrington, C., Peterman, A., Akaligaung, A. J., Palermo, T., de Milliano, M., & Aborigo, R. A. \(2021\). 'Poverty can break a home': Exploring mechanisms linking cash plus programming and intimate partner violence in Ghana. Social science & medicine \(1982\), 114521, ePub](#): This study explores how the government of Ghana's Livelihood Empowerment Against Poverty (LEAP) 1000 program, an unconditional cash transfer plus health insurance premium waiver targeted at pregnant women and women with young children, influenced intimate partner violence experiences. *[Source; University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill]*.

[Awolaran, O., OlaOlorun, F.M., Asuzu, M.C. \(2021\). Experience of intimate partner violence among rural women in Southwest, Nigeria. African Journal of Reproductive Health, 25\(5\)](#): This study examines women's experiences of intimate partner violence in rural southwest Nigeria between July and August 2019. *[Source: University of Ibadan]*.

[Forty, J. \(2021\). Do women with autonomy in the household experience less intimate partner violence in Malawi? Evidence from the 2015–16 Demographic and Health Survey. *Journal of Biosocial Science*, 1-20](#): This study investigates the association between women's autonomy in household decision-making participation as well as sexual autonomy and IPV among married and cohabiting women aged 15–49 years in Malawi. *[Source: SafetyLit]*.

[Gibbs, A., Reddy, T., Closson, K., Cawood, C., Khanyile, D., & Hatcher, A. \(2021\). Intimate partner violence and the HIV care and treatment cascade among adolescent girls and young women in DREAMS, South Africa. *Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes* \(1999\), ePub](#): In this article, authors recommend that addressing the role of intimate partner violence in undermining the treatment cascade for adolescents and young women is a critical issue for HIV programming. *[Source: SafetyLit]*.

[Sabri, B., Glass, N., Murray, S., Perrin, N., Case, J. R., & Campbell, J. C. \(2021\). A technology-based intervention to improve safety, mental health and empowerment outcomes for immigrant women with intimate partner violence experiences: it's weWomen plus sequential multiple assignment randomized trial \(SMART\) protocol. *BMC public health*, 21\(1\), 1956](#): This study uses an adaptive sequential, multiple assignment, and randomized trial (SMART) design to evaluate a technology-based intervention called “weWomen Plus” tailored to the needs of immigrant women with intimate partner violence experiences. *[Source: SafetyLit]*.

[Samad, N., Das, P., Ahinkorah, B. O., Seidu, A.-A., Frimpong, J. B., Okyere, J., et al. \(2021\). Intimate partner violence and pregnancy termination in Armenia: Evidence from nationally-representative survey data. *European Journal of Investigation in Health, Psychology and Education*, 11\(2\), 294–302](#): This study examined the association between predictive capacity of intimate partner violence and pregnancy termination among women in Armenia. *[Source: SafetyLit]*.

[Labra-Valerdi, P., Chacón-Moscoso, S., & Sanduvete-Chaves, S. \(2021\). Predictive factors of mental health in survivors of intimate partner violence in Chile. *Journal of Interpersonal Violence*, ePub](#): This study analyses predictor variables in the mental health of Chilean women who have survived intimate partner abuse. *[Source: SafetyLit]*.

[Bramhankar, M., Reshmi, R. \(2021\). Spousal violence against women and its consequences on pregnancy outcomes and reproductive health of women in India. *BMC Women's Health* 21, 382](#): This study aims to assess the level of various types of spousal violence in India and to understand the association between physical, sexual and emotional violence against ever-married women by their

husbands. [Source: *SafetyLit*].

[Hoxmeier, J. C., & Zapp, D. \(2021\). History of sexual assault perpetration and violence-related prosocial tendencies among men by fraternity affiliation status. *Violence Against Women*, ePub](#): This study examines self-reported sexual assault perpetration history, as well as violence prevention-related prosocial tendencies, among fraternity men, unaffiliated men with membership intentions, and unaffiliated men without membership intentions with data from 262,634 college men in the United States. [Source: *SafetyLit*].



BLOGS

[Giannini, S. \(2021, 9 November\). When schools shut: Gendered impacts of COVID-19 school closures. *World Education Blog*](#): “I didn’t need to be involved in household work earlier but now as I’m sitting at home, I must take up household chores. Yes, if I had a brother, he would not have to do household work, he would just roam around. But I have to get involved in housework because I am a girl,” said a 16-year-old girl from Bangladesh. [Source: *UNESCO*].

[Atay, H., Escalante, M.A., & Ndelu, S. \(2021, 3 November\). From GEF to COP26: Gender equity and climate justice are only possible with young feminists at the center. *Girls Globe*](#): The intersecting crises of the current moment expose the failures of our systems. The COVID-19 pandemic, the rise of authoritarian governments, persistent gender inequality and the climate emergency require better and faster solutions from the global community. [Source: *Girls Globe*].

MEMBER REQUEST

Request for information: Factitious disorder by proxy of an intimate partner

In connection with work on the drugging of intimate partners, Lisa Fontes from the University of Massachusetts Amherst, is looking for information around the notion of factitious disorder by proxy of an intimate partner. If you are exploring this or know of resources related to this that can be shared with Lisa, kindly contact us at svri@svri.org.

PODCASTS

What we're listening to

[The Sexual Violence Research Podcast - Engaging men](#): Engaging men in violence prevention interventions is crucial. Many of the issues we see today stem from harmful ideas of masculinity. In many societies these ideas lead to the justification of dominance over women and the use of intimate partner violence. In this episode we explore the many great research projects that are changing male perspectives, addressing the root causes of violence and creating meaningful change. Hear from guests Laxman Belbase from the MenEngage Alliance, and Phiona Koyiet from World Vision.

["The power of feminist civil society" think piece and podcast series, Gender and Health Hub](#): This mini-series explores the power of feminist civil society in driving gender equality in health programmes and health systems. Feminist civil society organisations have played, and are playing, a fundamental and varied role in advancing gender equality in global health. Despite this, there is insufficient understanding and acknowledgement of what meaningful engagement and collaboration looks like between public health actors and feminist civil society organisations. There are examples of what successful partnerships look like and there are transferable lessons that can be taken away from these experiences. For example, the case of violence against women and girls.

WEBINAR/MEETING RECORDINGS

Your chance to catch up anytime!

[Lanzamiento del reporte regional sobre la investigación en violencia contra las mujeres en América Latina y el Caribe](#): En este seminario web se destacaron los proyectos de investigación locales apoyados por el programa de concesión de subvenciones del SVRI entre 2014 y 2020, en colaboración con el Banco Mundial a través del Premio del Mercado de Desarrollo para la Innovación en Materia de Prevención y Respuesta a la Violencia de Género.

[Rape: Who's on trial? Channel Four Television Corporation](#): With rape convictions at an all-time low, this hard-hitting film spends two years behind the scenes with Avon and Somerset Police and four serious sexual crime investigations.

ONLINE RESOURCES

[Gender Dimensions of Forced Displacement \(GDFD\) Research Program](#): A new series of papers is being generated about the Gender Dimensions of Forced Displacement by researchers from a range of disciplines from inside and outside the World Bank, with strategic guidance from a [Senior Advisory Panel](#). The following papers on gender-based violence were recently published [Source: *World Bank Group*]:

- [Conflict, Displacement and Overlapping Vulnerabilities: Understanding Risk Factors for Gender-based Violence among Displaced Women in Eastern Democratic Republic of Congo](#)
- [Intimate Partner Violence and Household Decision-making Autonomy: Effects of the Malian Conflict on Women](#)
- [The Risk That Travels with You: Links between Forced Displacement, Conflict and Intimate Partner Violence in Colombia and Liberia.](#)

[Warburton-Wynn, A. \(2021\). Sexual violence and assault against older people in hospitals in England. Suffolk: Hourglass UK](#): Hourglass has worked with Researcher Amanda Warburton-Wynn to publish new findings on sexual violence and assault against older people in hospitals. [Source: *Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership*].

[Together for Girls. \(2021\). Stakeholder report 2019-2021: Building a safer world. Washington D.C.: Together for Girls](#): This report highlights three years of global collaboration as a partnership, generating quality data, raising awareness of solutions and galvanizing change. [Source: *Together for Girls*].

[UNESCO. \(2021\). Threats that silence: trends in the safety of journalists; insights discussion paper: World trends in freedom of expression and media development: Global report 2021/2022. UNESCO](#): The research presented here constitutes a chapter on trends in the safety of journalists of the forthcoming full edition of UNESCO's World Trends in Freedom of Expression and Media Development: Global Report 2021/2022. [Source: *WUNRN*].

[The Evaluation Fund - Reducing violence against children. \(2019\). An innovative approach to reducing recidivism among child sexual abuser. The Evaluation Fund](#): The Support Programme for Abuse Reactive Children offers a combination of individual, group and family sessions, as well as extracurricular activities for children and adolescents who have committed, or are at risk of committing a sexual offence. [Source: *GBV CoP*].

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Fellowship opportunity](#): ISHR fellowship for People of African Descent (paid). Closing date: 21 November 2021.

[Call for proposals](#): The Intimate Partner Violence (IPV) Initiative Competitive Fund. Closing date: 17 December 2021.



EVENTS

- [Finding the path forward: Promoting equity and ethics in research on GBV among refugee populations in the Global South, 18 November 2021, 9 am EST](#): Global Women's Institute's Building GBV Evidence program will be hosting a four-part webinar series over this coming year to dive deeper into gaps and opportunities around GBV research in humanitarian settings. Register for the first session [here](#).
- [Violence, Abuse and Mental Health Network Meeting, 23 November 2021](#),



VACANCIES

- [HR & Operations Coordinator \(Parental Leave Cover\)](#), The Equality Institute, Melbourne, Australia with the ability to work remotely - Closing date: 24 November 2021.
- [COFEM Coordinating Committee](#), Coalition of Feminists for Social Change (COFEM), Global - Closing date: 26 November 2021.
- [Senior Gender Advisor](#), UN Foundation, Washington, D.C., USA - Closing date: 29 November 2021.

[10 am UK](#): The Network aims to reduce the prevalence of mental health problems among children, adults, and the elderly, by bringing together experts with different ways of thinking about violence, abuse and mental health - some with personal experience of these issues, others with expertise from the work that they do, and survivor researchers with both. Join the meeting [here](#).

- [Women's Protection and Empowerment Technical Advisor for Latin America](#), International Rescue Committee, Colombia/El Salvador/Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of) - Closing date: 28 December 2021.
- [Roster of local consultants \(CARE section\)](#), UNICEF Office of Research (OoR) Innocenti, Florence, Italy - Closing date: 30 April 2022.



NEWS

Carrington, D. (2021, 9 November). ['World designed by men has destroyed many things,' Cop26 warned](#). *The Guardian*. [Also via IGWG Gender Updates].

Gharib, M. (2021, 5 November). [New USAID director aims to shake up 60-year-old aid agency. Here's her 'new vision'](#). NPR.

Peacock, D. (2021, 28 October). [The gendered political economy of militarized peacekeeping](#). *IPI Global Observatory*.

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.

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