



Dear SVRI List Members

This SVRI Update contains a variety of sexual violence related research and resources. If you would like to have your sexual violence related resources included in the Update, please send your materials to svri@mrc.ac.za. For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit www.svri.org. Please note that the SVRI Updates are also available on our [Facebook](#) page.

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I. SVRI members' requests

1) Sharing the responsibility for ending domestic violence: Developing and validating promising policies and practices to engage men and boys in domestic violence prevention project

In 2012, **Shift: The Project to End Domestic Violence**(<http://www.preventdomesticviolence.ca/>) collaborated with White Ribbon Canada to conduct a literature review and scan of promising practices to engage men and boys in domestic violence prevention. Led by Liza Lorenzetti, the **resulting report**(<http://preventdomesticviolence.ca/research/engaging-men-and-boys-domestic-violence-prevention-opportunities-and-promising-approaches>) identified seven entry points (later consolidated into five) as critical areas of focus for engaging men and boys.

In 2014, Shift partnered again with White Ribbon Canada and Dr. Michael Kimmel, who leads the Center for the Study of Men and Masculinities to confirm the five entry point framework; to extend the depth, scope, and validity of the policies and practices identified; and to complete a more detailed examination of the literature (both academic and grey). A final paper will be completed in 2015 for international distribution. Interested parties can review the full project proposal

at:http://preventdomesticviolence.ca/sites/default/files/proposal/Men_Boys_Proposal_Jan_20_2014.pdf.

If you and/or your organisation are currently offering an initiative that seeks to engage men and boys in some effort to prevent intimate partner violence and/or to prevent men and boys from perpetrating intimate partner violence against women or girls, kindly complete this survey by clicking on the following link: Engaging men and boys survey link:<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/menandboys2015>. For further information about this research project, please contact Lana Wells, Brenda Strafford Chair in the Prevention of Domestic Violence at the Faculty of Social Work, University of Calgary at: lmwells@ucalgary.ca. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

2) Survey request: World Bank publications

The World Bank is assessing how to improve the Bank's publications. They invite you to share your perspectives in this brief online survey to enable the Bank to better understand their readers, and to help achieve their goal of increasing the development impact of World Bank publications.

The survey should only take about 10 minutes to complete. The survey is available online at: <https://s-f21054-i.sgizmo.com/s3/i-100064892-960116?sguid=100064892>. Please submit your completed survey by June 15, 2015. [Source: World Bank].

3) Survey request: Establishment of PhD programme in Health Education and Behavioural Change Communication

The Health Education and Behavioral Sciences Department at Jimma University is planning to introduce a PhD course in Health Education and Behavioural Change Communication. This will possibly be the first fully fledged health education department in East Africa. You are requested to assist with a short survey of approximately 15 minutes to complete a needs assessment report which forms one of the mandatory requirements to get approval for this PhD programme at the Ethiopian Education Ministry. If you are able to assist with this, kindly contact Morankar Sudhakar at: sudhakar.morankar@gmail.com for a copy of the questionnaire. [Source: Jimma University].

II. 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.

[Cross-national and multilevel correlates of partner violence: An analysis of data from population-based surveys. Heise L and Kotsadam A. The Lancet Global Health, 3\(6\): e332–e340, 2015](#): This article assesses the role that women's status and other gender-related factors might have in defining levels of partner violence among settings. [Source: UN Women].

[**A qualitative exploration of date rape survivors' physical and psycho-social experiences in a Nigerian university. Ogunwale A.O, Oshiname F.O. J. Interpers. Violence, ePub, 2015:**](#) This article explores the physical and psycho-social experiences of date rape female survivors at the University of Ibadan. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**Feminist framework plus: Knitting feminist theories of rape etiology into a comprehensive model. McPhail B.A. Trauma Violence Abuse, ePub, 2015:**](#) This article presents a more integrated model, the Feminist Framework Plus, which knits together five feminist theories into a comprehensive model that better explains the depth and breadth of the etiology of rape. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**Sexual assault history and its association with the use of drinking protective behavioural strategies among college women. Gilmore A.K, Stappenbeck C.A, Lewis M.A, Granato H.F, Kaysen D. J. Stud. Alcohol Drugs, 76\(3\): 459-464, 2015:**](#) This article examines the relationship between sexual assault history and drinking protective behavioural strategies (PBS). [Source: SafetyLit].

[**Sexual risk behaviours, sexual offenses, and sexual victimization among homeless youth: A systematic review of associations with substance use. Heerde J.A, Hemphill S.A. Trauma Violence Abuse, ePub, 2015:**](#) This review describes published studies investigating substance use in its association with perpetration of sexual offenses, engagement in sexual risk behavior, or experience of sexual victimization among homeless youth. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**The mediating role of secrecy in the development of psychopathology in sexually abused children. van Delft I, Finkenauer C, Clasiën De Schipper J, Lamers-Winkelmann F, Visser M.M. Child Abuse Negl, ePub, 2015:**](#) This article examines whether, as compared to children who have not experienced CSA, CSA victims have a greater tendency for secrecy as reported by mothers and children, and whether psychopathology in CSA victims may be explained by their tendency to keep secrets. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**Understanding the link between pubertal timing in girls and the development of depressive symptoms: The role of sexual harassment. Skoog T, Özdemir S.B, Stattin H. J. Youth Adolesc, ePub, 2015:**](#) This article whether sexual harassment, which has previously been linked to both pubertal timing and depressive symptoms, mediates this link, using a two-wave longitudinal study including 454 girls in 7th and 8th grade. [Source: SafetyLit].

[**Rethinking compassion fatigue through the lens of professional identity: The case of child protection workers. Geoffrion S, Morselli C, Guay S. Trauma Violence Abuse, ePub, 2015:**](#) By integrating the notion of professional identity, this article adds a subjective perspective to the compassion fatigue model allowing for the consideration of positive outcomes and takes into account the influence of stress caused by accountability. [Source: SafetyLit].

III. Online publications and resources

[**Intimate partner violence surveillance: Uniform definitions and recommended data elements. Version 2.0. Breiding M.J, Basile K.C, Smith S.G, Black M.C and Mahendra R.R.**](#)

[National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2015](#) (pdf): This publication is designed to promote consistency in the use of terminology and data collection across organizations that work to prevent intimate partner violence. [Source: PAHO/WHO].

[Violence against women and girls resource guide: Disaster risk management brief. World Bank, 2015](#) (pdf): This brief describes how health care settings can provide a unique opportunity to identify VAWG survivors in disasters to provide critical support services, and prevent future harm. [Source: UN Women].

[Justice through the eyes of Afghan women: Cases of violence against women addressed through mediation and court adjudication. United Nations Assistance Mission in Afghanistan and United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, 2015](#) (pdf): This report examines in depth factors enabling and hampering Afghan women from seeking accountability and redress for violence committed against them through remedies provided by law from the perspective of women complainants themselves. [Source: UN Women].

[Violence against women in Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire: An urban post-crisis environment. Research brief. International Rescue Committee, 2015](#): This article aims to gain a deeper understanding of intimate partner violence in Abidjan, as well as explore how intimate partner violence programming in rural areas can be adapted to urban environments to reduce intimate partner violence. [Source: UN Women].

[Gender: Different needs, adapted assistance. ECHO factsheet. European Commission, Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection, 2014](#) (pdf): This factsheet describes specific targeted actions, gender and age considerations integrated in all areas of the work of the European Commission's Humanitarian Aid and Civil Protection Department. [Source: WUNRN].

IV. Websites and projects

[Shift: The project to end domestic violence](#). Shift's goal is to significantly reduce and prevent domestic violence in Alberta, Canada. The name Shift represents the spirit of this innovative project designed to create transformational change using a primary prevention approach to stop first-time victimization and perpetration of domestic violence. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

V. News

[London faces being 'overwhelmed' by soaring number of rape cases, official report warns, London Evening Standard, 2 June 2015](#): A major overhaul of the way that police and prosecutors tackle rape in London was demanded today as an official report warned that the capital faces being "overwhelmed" by a rise in sex crimes.

[The UN'S dirty secret: The untold story of Anders Kompass and peacekeeper sex abuse in the Central African Republic, AIDS Free World, Code Blue, 28 May 2015](#): On April 29, 2015, the world learned of disturbing accounts of sexual abuse of young boys by French, Chadian, and

Equatorial Guinean peacekeepers at a displaced persons camp in the Central African Republic (CAR).

[Southeast Asia: Accounts from Rohingya boat people, Human Rights Watch, 27 May 2015:](#)

Rohingya and other survivors of dangerous boat voyages from Burma and Bangladesh describe horrific treatment by unscrupulous smugglers and traffickers in Burma, and abuse and neglect aboard ships, Human Rights Watch said today.

[President Jonathan passes Violence Against Persons Prohibition bill into law, Nigeria Stability and Reconciliation Programme, 25 May 2015:](#)

President Goodluck Jonathan, this afternoon, passed the Violence Against Persons Prohibition (VAPP) bill into law.

VI. Events

[Launch of the 'RCNI national Rape Crisis statistics report 2014' and 'Analysis of state capacity to progressively respond to sexual violence', 9 June 2015, Dublin, Ireland.](#)

RCNI's unique data and knowledge information system, which is used in the collection of information from survivors attending RCCs in Ireland, is critical to understanding sexual violence. It provides a clear picture of the characteristics of sexual violence experienced by service users in Ireland and the different vulnerabilities they experience. RSVP to: comms@rcni.ie. [Source: RCNI].

[Webinar - Linking child focused approaches to preventing sexual and domestic violence, 11 June 2105:](#)

What can we learn from the latest research and innovative strategies honouring linkages between children's exposure to child maltreatment, sexual abuse, community and domestic violence? This web conference offers an opportunity to creatively think through the links between multiple forms of violence experienced by children. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

[Screening: Global health film initiative- girl rising, 19 June 2015, London, UK.](#)

This film presents the remarkable stories of nine girls around the world, told by celebrated writers and voiced by renowned actors such as Cate Blanchett, Anne Hathaway and Liam Neeson. The art of storytelling is used to deliver a simple, critical truth: Educate Girls and You Will Change the World. [Source: Royal Society of Medicine].

[ISS 6th international conference: National and international perspectives on crime reduction and criminal justice, 15 - 16 October 2015, Johannesburg, South Africa.](#)

This premier annual event brings together researchers, academics, policy makers and practitioners with an interest in criminology and associated disciplines to discuss research findings and exchange ideas. There is no registration fee but space is limited, so register early to avoid disappointment. [Source: ISS].

[2015 National Sexual Assault Conference, 2 – 4 September 2015, Los Angeles, USA.](#)

This conference will host over 20 workshops on primary prevention, including an entire track focusing on preventing sexual abuse on college campuses (sponsored by the National Sexual Violence Resource Center) as well as a mini-track on Preventing Child Sexual Abuse (sponsored by Prevent Child Abuse America) and building a movement to end violence against women and girls (sponsored by Move to End Violence). Register online. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

E-Learning Courses: Justice involved women. Now available on the NIC Learning Center, the National Institute of Corrections has developed a series of five e-courses addressing the importance of using a gender-responsive approach with justice involved women. [Source: National Institute of Corrections].

For more events visit: <http://www.svri.org/calendar.htm>

VII. Vacancies

International Consultant -VAW Prevention Programme & Partnership and Resource Mobilization Strategy / UN Women / Kabul (with possible travel to provinces), Afghanistan / Closing date: 8 June 2015. [Source: Partners for Prevention].

Country Manager - Lebanon / International Alert / Beirut, Lebanon / Closing date: 7 June 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Gender and Inclusion Team Assistant / Plan Canada / Toronto, Canada / Closing date: 8 June 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Access to Justice Program Officer / Nazdeek / New Delhi, India / Closing date: 26 June 2015. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Capacity Building Lead, La Pépinière / Social Development Direct / London, United Kingdom with frequent travel to DRC / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Capacity Building and Training Manager, La Pépinière / Social Development Direct / Kinshasa, DRC / Closing date: Rolling Basis, with start date ASAP. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Programme Manager: Women's Rights / Graça Machel Trust / Maseru, Lesotho / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

Sexual violence is a global issue that requires coordinated evidence-based responses.

The Sexual Violence Research Initiative is hosted by the Medical Research Council, South Africa. The SVRI aims to promote research on sexual violence and generate empirical data to ensure sexual violence is recognized as a priority public health problem. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website www.svri.org or contact us at svri@mrc.ac.za

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