



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.

Today's SVRI Update includes the following: [Summaries directly taken or adapted from source]

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I. SVRI member requests

1) Call for nominations: Candidates for the Governing Board of the Global MenEngage Alliance

MenEngage is currently looking for a maximum of three new members to join their global Governing Board. MenEngage's Board members support the alliance in meeting its goals and represent the values, principles, commitments and expertise of the alliance. The Board includes one designated representative per regional steering committee, and representatives of at-large civil society member organisations working internationally in the fields of gender justice, women's rights, SRHR, HIV/Aids, children, youth, GBV/VAW, fatherhood & caregiving, peacebuilding, etc. MenEngage is currently looking for representatives of at-large organisations with leadership skills in the areas of governance, human resources, network building, finance and fundraising, public relations, advocacy, and/or communications. Submissions close: 29 March 2015. For more information, visit the MenEngage website at <http://menengage.org/menengage-call-nominations-2015-new-board-members/>. [Source: MenEngage-Connect].

2) VAWNet survey request

The National Resource Center on Domestic Violence is working in partnership with Dr. Anthony Chow and Dr. Christine Murray from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro to improve their responsiveness to the information needs of VAWNet users.

VAWNet is asking for your help in making sure that the VAWnet.org website and resources are as relevant and easy-to-use as possible by taking just **10-15 minutes** to complete the survey at: <http://bit.ly/1MOMeIM>. Please take a moment to complete this survey by Friday, 27 February. [Source: National Resource Center on Domestic Violence].

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.

Global Pediatric Health: This journal is peer-reviewed and open access focusing on health issues of children that are common to all regions of the world. The research articles, reviews, and case reports published cover a variety of pediatric subspecialties as well as public health issues, delivery of health care, medical education, and administrative aspects of medicine. [Source: SagePub].

Childhood sexual trauma and subsequent parenting beliefs and behaviours. Zvara B.J, Mills-Koonce W.R, Appleyard Carmody K, Cox M. Child Abuse Negl, ePub, 2015: This article examines the long-term adjustment of women reporting childhood sexual trauma (CST) at or before the age of 14 in terms of parenting efficacy and parenting behaviour. [Source: SafetyLit].

Characteristics of child sexual assault within a child advocacy centre client population. Carlson F.M, Grassley J, Reis J, Davis K. J. Forensic Nurs, 11: 15-21, 2015: This article summarises data from a child advocacy centre to illustrate how such information might be used to profile the scope and character of child sexual abuse (CSA) at the community level. [Source: SafetyLit].

Poly-victimization among girls in the justice system: Trajectories of risk and associations to juvenile offending. Dehart D.D, Moran R. Violence Against Women, 21: 291-312, 2015: This article examines a) range and co-occurrence of different types of violence over the life span, (b) independent and cumulative trajectories of risk for varied types of victimization, and (c) the relationship of victimization to girls' offending. [Source: SafetyLit].

Childhood adversity, mental health, and violent crime. Brewer-Smyth K, Cornelius M.E and Pickelsimer E.E. J. Forensic Nurs, 11: 4-14, 2015: This article evaluate traumatic brain injury before the age of 15 years and other childhood environmental factors, mental health, and lifetime history of committing a violent crime. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Providers' perspectives about helpful information for evaluating domestic violence and sexual assault services: A practice note. Macy R.J, Ogbonnaya I.N, Martin S.L. Violence Against Women, 21: 416-429, 2015](#): This practice note presents findings from a statewide survey of domestic violence and sexual assault agency directors, regarding their opinions about the outcome information that should be collected from victims during evaluations of five commonly provided services: legal advocacy, medical advocacy, group services, individual counselling, and shelter. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Sexual assault response teams \(SARTs\): Mapping a research agenda that incorporates an organizational perspective. Moylan C.A, Lindhorst T, Tajima E.A. Violence Against Women, ePub, 2015](#): This article conceptualizes SARTs from an organisational perspective and explores three approaches to researching SARTs that have the potential of increasing our understanding of the benefits and challenges of multidisciplinary service delivery. [Source: SafetyLit].

[Lifetime video game consumption, interpersonal aggression, hostile sexism, and rape myth acceptance: A cultivation perspective. Fox J, Potocki B. J. Interpers. Violence, ePub, 2015](#): This article analyses relationships among video game consumption, trait interpersonal aggression, ambivalent sexism, and first-order (percentage of false rape accusations) and second-order cultivation effects (RMA). [Source: SafetyLit].

[What can GPs do for adult patients disclosing recent sexual violence? Kennedy K.M and White C. Br J Gen Pract, 65\(630\): 42-44, 2015](#): This article explores the important role that General Practitioners can play when sexual violence is disclosed to them by adult patients. [Source: National University of Ireland Galway].

[Lived experiences of male intimate partners of female rape victims in Cape Town, South Africa. van Wijk E, Duma S.E and Mayers P.M. Curationis, 37: 1-9, 2014](#): This article explores the lived experiences of male intimate partners of female rape victims and the meaning of these experiences in the six months following the partner's rape. [Source: SafetyLit].

III. Online publications and resources

[Guidelines for producing statistics on violence against women - Statistical surveys. United Nations Department of Economic and Social Affairs, 2014](#) (pdf): These Guidelines have been prepared to assist countries in assessing the scope, prevalence and incidence of violence against women. It responds to the need to provide methodological advice regarding selection of topics, sources of data, relevant statistical classifications, outputs, wording of questions and all other issues relevant for national statistical offices to conduct statistical surveys on violence against women. [Source: UN Women].

[Parents make the difference: Findings from a randomized impact evaluation of a parenting program in rural Liberia. International Rescue Committee, 2014](#): This report presents findings from a parenting intervention that was implemented in post-conflict

Liberia, where young children face many of the risk factors identified as detrimental to their development. [Source: PAHO/WHO].

[Review of Australian aid initiatives in the Pacific aimed at ending violence against women. Mukasa S, McCleary-Sills J, Heilman B and Namy S. International Center for Research on Women, 2014](#): This review aims to improve the Australian aid program's ability to make strategic investments in efforts to prevent and respond to violence against women in the Pacific region. [Source: World Bank].

[The vulnerability report: Human trafficking in the Greater Mekong sub-region. World Vision, 2014](#): This report presents an overview of the findings of an extensive regional study conducted by World Vision in communities in Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar, Thailand, and Vietnam on knowledge, attitudes and practices related to trafficking in persons, with a specific focus on the vulnerability of migrant populations. [Source: WUNRN].

[United States Government action plan on children in adversity: A framework for international assistance, 2012-2017. United States Government, 2012](#): This action plan seeks to integrate internationally recognised, evidence-based good practices into all of its international assistance initiatives for the best interests of the child. [Source: PAHO/WHO].

IV. Websites

[Violence against women self-assessment tool, International Center for Research on Women](#): This website allows individuals and organisation to submit answers for assessment to reflect on the design of projects and achieve goals for growth and evolution. [Source: SAMRC].

V. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Fellowship opportunity: 2015 MILEAD fellowship for young African women leaders](#). The Moremi Initiative for Women's Leadership in Africa hereby announces its annual call for applications for the 2015 MILEAD (Moremi Initiative Leadership Empowerment and Development) Fellows Program - to identify 25 of Africa's most outstanding emerging women leaders. Applications close: 20 March 2015. [Source: AWID].

[Funding opportunity: UN Women's Fund for Gender Equality](#). UN Women is pleased to announce its third Call for Proposals. This year the Fund welcomes submissions from women-led civil society organizations with innovative, high-impact, and multi-stakeholder women's rights and gender equality programmes that help jumpstart progress towards the Post-2015 Development Agenda. Interested applicants are encouraged to read the Call for Proposals and start preparing for the online application process, open from 9 March to 5 April 2015.

VI. News

[How a rape was filmed and shared in Pakistan, BBC Asia, 26 February 2015](#): When a young Pakistani woman was gang raped in a remote village, she kept silent. But then a video of the rape began circulating online and via mobile phone. As BBC Urdu's Amber Shamsi reports, little appears to have been done to stop web users from sharing the video.

[Ravages of revenge porn spur federal crime push, Women's eNews, 24 February 2015](#): In some parts of the country local and state law enforcers will say no crime was committed if an angry ex publicises nude pictures of you all over the Web. The End Revenge Porn campaign is going up against First Amendment arguments in a bid to change that.

[Why femicide won't end until we have a truly equal society, The Guardian, 22 February 2015](#): Last week saw the launch of the Femicide Census, a list of murdered women that digs down into the internet like a terrible well. It was reported at length in this paper, in a piece that detailed what has changed since Karen Ingala Smith first started counting dead women in 2012, and contained tributes to some of the victims, pictured smiling and beautiful, looking off to the side of the photos, shy.

[No longer at ease: Tackling the trauma of Boko Haram, IRIN News, 23 February 2015](#): Nigerian society celebrates resilience – the ability to cope with adversity. But the growing number of people coming through the doors of the Crisis and Trauma Counselling Centre (CTCC) in the northern city of Kano suggests people sometimes need a little help to get by.

[Sexist laws still thrive worldwide, Inter Press Service News Agency, 18 February 2015](#): In a new report released here, the New York-based Equality Now has identified dozens of countries, including Kenya, Mali, Iran, Saudi Arabia, India, Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), the Bahamas, Malta, Nigeria and Yemen, which have continued with discriminatory laws in violation of international conventions and U.N. declarations.

VII. Events

[CSW 59: Panel discussions co-organized by the Women Peacemakers Program, 10-12 March 2015, New York, USA](#). WPP will participate in three different panel discussions connecting the Beijing agenda with Women, Peace & Security. See the Save-the-Date for the dates and times. [Source: AWID].

[Caribbean Institute in Gender & Development, 6-31 July 2015, Wanstead, Barbados](#). This programme is for women and men working or interested in the field of social development. It will benefit men and women interested in understanding the issues of gender and development within Caribbean societies, particularly practitioners within government and non-governmental institutions, community-based and service oriented organisations. Applications close: 16 March 2015. [Source: AWID].

[Venice Academy of Human Rights, 6-15 July 2015, Venice Lido, Italy](#). The theme of this year's academy is '(Dis)Integration through Human Rights: Citizens, Courts, Communities'. The Venice Academy of Human Rights is an international programme of excellence for

human rights education, research and debate. Applications close: 3 May 2015. [Source: AWID].

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

VIII. Vacancies

[Senior Coordinator, Women' Protection & Empowerment](#) / International Rescue Committee / Monrovia, Liberia / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Senior Research Medical Officer](#) / MatCH Research / Cape Town, South Africa / Closing date: March 10, 2015. [Source: 60percent].

[Director, Research and Right to Development Division, D2](#) / United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights / Geneva, Switzerland / Closing date: March 21, 2015. [Source: UN].

[Campaigner/ Senior Campaigner](#) / Global Fund for Women / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Resource-Net Jobs].

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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