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[I. Journal articles](#)

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[Understanding the origins and the development of rape and sexual aggression against women: Four generations of research and theorizing. Lussiera P, Calec J. *Aggression and Violent Behavior*. 2016:](#)

This article provides a review of contemporary explanations of sexual aggression against women and an examination of the underlying developmental issues that these models imply. [Source: University of New South Wales].

[Women prisoners' sexual victimisation: ongoing vulnerabilities and possible responses. Bartels L, Easteal P. *Journal of Criminological Research, Policy and Practice*. 2\(3\), 2016:](#) This article explores the incidence and impact of exposure to sexual victimisation for women in the criminal justice system. It further examines the key ongoing vulnerabilities in respect of mental health and substance abuse, and their contribution to women's offending. [Source: ANROWS].

[Developing a risk model to target high-risk preventive interventions for sexual assault victimization among female U.S. Army soldiers. Street A.E, Rosellini A.J, Ursano R.J, Heeringa S.G, Hill E.D, Monahan J, Naifeh J.A, Petukhova M.V, Reis B.Y, Sampson N.A, Bliese P.D, Stein M.B, Zaslavsky A.M, Kessler R.C. *Clinical Psychological Science*. ePub. 2016:](#) Sexual violence victimization is a significant problem among female U.S. military personnel. Preventive interventions for high-risk individuals might reduce prevalence but would require accurate targeting. In this study, the authors develop a

targeting model for female Regular U.S. Army soldiers based on theoretically guided predictors abstracted from administrative data records. [Source: SAGE Journals].

[Comprehensive development and testing of the ASIST-GBV, a screening tool for responding to gender-based violence among women in humanitarian settings. Wirtz A.L, Glass N, Pham K, Perrin N, Rubenstein L.S, Singh S, Vu A. Conflict and Health. 2016:](#) This study discusses the ASIST-GBV screening tool which was developed and tested for use in humanitarian settings. The research was conducted among female refugees, aged ≥ 15 years in Ethiopia, and female IDPs, aged ≥ 18 years in Colombia. [Source: BioMed Central].

[Domestic violence enhanced perinatal home visits: The DOVE randomized clinical trial. Sharps P.W, Bullock L.F, Campbell J.C, Alhusen J.L, Ghazarian S.R, Bhandari S.S, Schminkey D.L. J Womens Health \(Larchmt\). 2016:](#) This study evaluates the effectiveness of an intimate partner violence intervention in reducing violence among abused women in perinatal home visiting programs. [Source: Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing].

[Ethics, methods, and measures in intimate partner violence research: the current state of the field. Bender A.K. Violence Against Women. ePub. 2016:](#) This study presents a review of the current state of IPV research in three areas (namely, ethics, methods, and measurement) with suggestions for innovative research possibilities building from this status quo. [Source: SAGE Journals].

[Mental health and functioning of female sex workers in Chittagong, Bangladesh. Hengartner M.P, Islam M.N, Haker H, Rössler W. Frontiers in Psychiatry. 6\(9503\). 2015:](#) This study examines the mental health and functioning of female sex workers in Chittagong, Bangladesh, a population that has commonly been neglected in mental health policy and research. [Source: PARC].

II. Online publications and resources

[Engaging men in public policies for the prevention of violence against women and girls. Aguayo, F., Kimelman, E., Saavedra, P., Kato-Wallace, J. UN Women and UNFPA. 2016:](#) This report provides evidence regarding efforts in the LAC region to prevent and eradicate all forms of VAWG used by men, and outlines effective interventions and highlights progress in the field, as well as the obstacles, lessons learned, and challenges. The report is also available in [Spanish](#). [Source: UN Women].

[Beyond domestic violence laws in Latin America: Challenges for protection services for survivors. Lachenal C, Toledo C, Bakker T. Fundar, Centre of Analysis and Research Mexico. 2016:](#) This study uses a series of in-depth interviews with survivors of domestic violence living in a Mexico City shelter, as well as with its staff, to analyse how survivors experience protection services. [Source: PAHO].

[Marital rape: Consent, marriage and social change in global context. Yllö K, Torres M.G. Interpersonal violence. 2016:](#) This book explores the criminalization of marital rape, hotly debated in many countries (e.g., India, Egypt, and Guatemala) across the world. [Source: International Researcher Violence against Women].

[Multisectoral responses to gender-based violence in Mozambique. Pathfinder International technical brief. 2015:](#) This technical brief offers a critical analysis of the Pathfinder International's two projects' shared strategy and implementation experience, and discusses lessons learned and next steps for Pathfinder's GBV programming in Mozambique. [Source: Pathfinder International].

[Resources for the clinical management of children and adolescents who have experienced sexual violence](#): This collection of resources includes technical considerations, accompanying job aids, and a companion guide to strengthen the linkages between clinical and social services and help address and respond to the unique needs and rights of children and adolescents who have experienced sexual violence and exploitation. [Source: AIDS Free].

III. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Funding opportunity: U.S. Mission to Vietnam- inviting applicants for LGBTI small grant program](#): The U.S. Mission to Vietnam is currently inviting applications for its LGBTI Small Grant program with an aim to advance the rights of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Intersex (LGBTI) persons in the workplace and to build a coalition between LGBTI-focused civil society organizations and leading businesses operating in Vietnam. Submissions close: 22 August 2016. [Source: Finds for NGOs].

[Funding opportunity: Commonwealth scholarships for Master's and PhD Studies in the UK](#): These scholarships are funded by the UK Department for International Development (DFID), with the aim of contributing to the UK's international development aims and wider overseas interests, supporting excellence in UK higher education, and sustaining the principles of the Commonwealth. Submissions close: 15 November 2016. [Source: Funds for NGOs].

IV. Advocacy and awareness raising

[Blog-The power of questions: screening for gender-based violence in humanitarian settings, 17 August 2016](#): Questions have been identified as one of the most important screening interventions for gender-based violence in humanitarian settings. This screening intervention erodes barriers, reduces negative attitudes among health providers and increases awareness of the negative impact of GBV in communities.

V. News

[Peruvians Say "No!" to Violence Against Women, IPS News, 16 August 2016](#): Peruvians took to the streets en masse to reject violence against women, in what was seen as a major new step in awareness-raising in the country that ranks third in the world in terms of domestic sexual violence.

[Study sheds light on use, effectiveness of sexual assault hotlines, Science Daily, 11 August 2016](#): Since the 1970s, sexual assault hotlines have grown in popularity in North America as conduits for survivors, their loved ones and professionals to unite for immediate support. Today, there are more than 1,000 crisis hotline affiliates in the United States alone. Yet, despite their widespread use, much remains unknown or unclear about their service efficacy.

[Sexual violence against women draws new funder attention, Inside Philanthropy, 10 August 2016](#): The murder of two women joggers in the past week has focused new attention on sexual violence against women. Over the past few years, this issue has been on the agendas of several key sectors of society—including universities, which have grappled with campus sexual assaults; professional sports, where top players have stood accused of attacks; and the military, where rape is common.

VI. Events

[Official launch: Strengthening regional and national capacities to measure violence against women, 24 August 2016, Bangkok, Thailand](#): The Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT)

and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) Asia-Pacific Regional Office invites you to the official launch of the joint initiative to strengthen regional and national capacities to address the issue of violence against women. This initiative aims to address the issue of violence against women, by focusing on ways to measure it better to obtain and use robust data for policy development and programme implementation to address this grave violation of human rights. [Source: UNFPA Asia & the Pacific].

[Webinar: Equitable Trauma-Informed Strategies to Prevent Sexual and Domestic Violence, 07 September 2016](#): In this webinar, the participants will explore how to infuse equity considerations and an understanding of individual and community trauma in prevention practice. Participants will also share tools and resources to enhance equity-focused sexual and domestic violence work that addresses individual and community trauma. [Source: Prevent Connect].

[Webinar: Technology facilitated abuse - understanding the issues and how frontline workers can improve the safety of women, 15 September 2016](#): This webinar will focus on how understanding the issues and how frontline workers can support women with practical advice and tools to increase their safety when using digital technology and online media. [Source: ANROWS].

[East Africa and Southern Gender Based Violence Summit, 21-23 September 2016, Nairobi, Kenya](#): This summit will be consultative and interactive while focussing on key issues and current discourse on harmful traditional practices and other forms of gender based violence and how to engage men, boys, traditional leaders and communities. [Source: Coexist Initiative].

["It's no secret": Sexual assault, sexual abuse and domestic violence - national conference, 24-25 November 2016, Western Australia, Australia](#): The conference will explore what is being provided in different States and Territories of Australia to meet the needs of victims of abuse and violence, the community, and to direct change at a social and political level. [Source: ANROWS].

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

VII. Vacancies

[Statistician](#) / Center on Gender Equity and Health (GEH), Division of Global Public Health, University of California / San Diego, CA / Closing date: 22 August 2016. [Source: University of California, San Diego].

[Social Media, Communications and Story Telling Volunteer](#) / Irise / Jinja, Uganda / Closing date: 26 August 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Operations Officer](#) / UHAI EASHRI / Nairobi, Kenya / Closing date: 26 August 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Program Manager](#) / Equal Access International / Washington, D.C., USA / Closing date: 31 August 2016. [Source: The Drum Beat].

[Project Officer \(National Community Attitudes towards Violence Against Women Survey\)](#) / ANROWS / Victoria, Australia / Closing date: 31 August 2016. [Source: ANROWS].

[Member Engagement Assistant](#) / Girls Not Brides / London, UK / Closing date: 01 September 2016. [Source: Girls Not Brides].

[Senior Manager Program Quality](#) / International Women's Development Agency / Melbourne, Australia / Closing date: 04 September 2016. [Source: IWDA].

[MENA Region Legal Research Fellowship](#) / Equal Rights Trust / London, UK / Closing date: 11 September 2016. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Consultant/Senior Technical Advisor, Zika](#) / Johns Hopkins Center for Communication Programs / Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, and/or Dominican Republic, with significant travel / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: The Drum Beat].

[Campaign Research Assistant](#) / New York City Alliance Against Sexual Assault / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Women Protection and Empowerment Coordinator](#) / International Rescue Committee / Cameroon / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Prevention Intern – NYC Regional Center for Sexual Violence Prevention](#) / New York City Alliance Against Sexual Assault / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[WPE Programme Specialist](#) / International Rescue Committee / Akkar, Lebanon / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

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

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