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JOURNAL ARTICLES

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[Archival data review of intimate partner homicide-suicide in Jamaica, 2007 – 2017: focus on mental health and community response. Pottinger A.M, Bailey A, Passard N. Rev Panam Salud Publica. ePub, 2019:](#) In this study, authors identify social and behavioural patterns and mental health concerns associated with intimate partner homicide-suicide in Jamaica through an analysis of media and police reports. [Source: *NBCI*].

[Social determinants of violence against women in Panama: results from population-based cross-sectional studies and a femicide registry. Santamaría A, Gerald C, Chamorro F, Herrera V, Flores H, Sandoval I, Gómez B, Harbar E, Liriola L, de León Richardson RG, Motta J, Moreno Velásquez I. Int Health. ePub, 2019:](#) This study investigates the prevalence of violence against women in Panama and its association with social determinants of health, and further estimates the femicide rates from 2014 to 2017. (Source: *NBCI*).

[Mapping evidence of socio-cultural factors in intimate partner violence among young women: a scoping review protocol. Maguele M.S.B, Khuzwayo N. Syst Rev. ePub, 2019:](#) Intimate partner violence among young women continues to be a worldwide concern. This scoping review aims to map available evidence of socio-cultural factors influencing intimate partner violence among young women. (Source: *BioMed Central*).

[Associations between mental distress, poly-victimisation, and gender attitudes among adolescent girls in Cambodia and Haiti: an analysis of Violence Against Children surveys. Juan C, Edmeades J, Petroni S, Kapungu C, Gordon R, Ligiero D. J Child Adolesc Ment Health. 31\(3\), 201-213, 2019:](#) This study explores the effects of poly-victimisation (defined as the experience of multiple different forms of violence, including physical, emotional, and/or sexual) and gender attitudes on mental distress and suicidal ideation among adolescent girls, using cross-sectional nationally representative household survey data from Cambodia and Haiti. (Source: *Taylor & Francis*).

[Effectiveness of a multilevel intervention to reduce violence and increase condom use in intimate partnerships among female sex workers: cluster randomised controlled trial in Karnataka, India. Javalkar P, Platt L, Prakash R, Beattie T.S, Collumbien M, Gafos M, Ramanak S, Davey C, Jewkes R, Watts C, Bhattacharjee P, Thalinja R, DI K, Isac S, Heise L. BMJ Glob Health. ePub, 2019:](#) Samvedana Plus is a multilevel intervention working with sex workers, their intimate partners and communities to reduce intimate partner violence (IPV) and to increase condom use within intimate relationships of sex workers in Northern Karnataka, India. This trial determines whether Samvedana Plus was effective in preventing IPV and increasing condom use. (Source: *BMJ Journals*).

[Intervention with Microfinance for AIDS and Gender Equity \(IMAGE\): Women's Engagement with the Scaled-up IMAGE Programme and Experience of Intimate Partner Violence in Rural South Africa. Knight L, Ranganathan M, Abramsky T, Polzer-Ngwato T, Muvhango L, Molebatsi M, Stöckl H, Lees S, Watts C. Prev Sci. ePub, 2019:](#) The Intervention with Microfinance for AIDS and Gender Equity (IMAGE) programme has been scaled up to three provinces in South Africa. This paper explores associations between women's engagement in the intervention, intimate partner violence (IPV) and factors associated with IPV and partner abuse. (Source: *NCBI*).



BLOGS

[Caring for the Carers: Support Systems for GBV Fieldworkers. Naomi Mwaura, Sarah Dickins. 2019:](#) In this blog, Naomi Mwaura and Sarah Dickins ask: "When was the last time you saw fieldworkers' wellbeing prioritised in a GBV intervention budget? Have you ever seen an organisational framework that acknowledges frontline workers are often also GBV survivors themselves?" (Source: *The Prevention Collaborative*).

ONLINE RESOURCES

[Child-Friendly Innovation. 10 days. 100 Ideas. Apolitical:](#) The way we design policies has huge impact on children, but too often governments design policies and services with only adults in mind. That's why Apolitical has created a new resource: 'Child-Friendly Innovation. 10 days. 100 ideas.' Sign up now and get 100 child-friendly policy ideas to take with you into the next decade. It features articles, quizzes, case studies, influential people to follow and more. Register for free here: <https://apolitical.co/100-ideas-children/>. (Source: *Apolitical*).

[Caring for women subjected to violence: A WHO curriculum for training health-care providers. WHO. 2019:](#) This curriculum is designed to provide health-care providers, particularly in low- and middle-income countries, with a foundation for responding to domestic/ intimate partner violence and sexual violence against women. (Source: *WHO*).

[Child sexual exploitation: why theory matters. Pearce J. 2019:](#) To date, many child sexual exploitation – related services have been developed in reaction to high profile cases rather than being designed more strategically. This much-needed book breaks new ground by considering how psychosocial, feminist and geo-environmental theories, amongst others, can improve practice understanding and interventions. (Source: *Policy Press and Bristol University Press*).

[TED Talk: The profound power of an authentic apology. Eve Ensler. 2019:](#) Genuine apology goes beyond remorse, says legendary playwright Eve Ensler. In this frank, wrenching talk, she shares how she transformed her own experience of abuse into wisdom on what wrongdoers can do and say to truly repent -- and offers a four-step roadmap to help begin the process. *This talk contains mature content.* (Source: *One Billion Rising*).

[The hidden war: legal responses to intimate partner violence in fragility and conflict. Moore M. Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security. 2019:](#) This report looks at what is known about intimate partner violence in conflict settings and focuses on one strategy to improve the situation of survivors: increasing their access to justice. (Source: *Georgetown Institute for Women, Peace and Security*).

[Revictimised: the humanitarian consequences of mandatory reporting of sexual violence. British Red Cross, ICRC. 2019:](#) This paper presents the initial findings from research carried out on the requirement, in certain countries, to report sexual violence cases to law enforcement authorities, and the humanitarian impacts of such obligations in the context of armed conflicts and other situations of violence. (Source: *GBV AOR*).

[Checklist on preventing and addressing conflict-related sexual violence against men and boys. All Survivors Project. 2019:](#) This checklist is intended to complement ongoing vital and urgently needed efforts to better protect women and girls against conflict-related sexual violence, from which attention to others at risk should not distract or detract. It aims to support efforts to ensure that men and boys are protected against conflict-related sexual violence in law and practice; that national policies and other measures aimed at eradicating such abuses recognise and respond to the risks and vulnerabilities of all persons; and that all survivors have access to justice including reparations, as well as to quality, survivor-centred medical, mental health and psychosocial support and other responses without discrimination. (Source: *ReliefWeb*).

[Sexual harassment, exploitation, and abuse: a toolkit for building a prevention and response program. Goldstein A.S, Caria S. Chemonics International. 2019:](#) This toolkit serves as a step-by-step guide for organizations looking to lead Sexual harassment, exploitation, and abuse (SHEA) prevention and response program trainings for organizational staff. It provides organizations with a framework for implementing institution-wide programming for preventing and responding to SHEA, and offers best practices and minimum standards in developing a SHEA PRP that can be adopted as is, or modified to meet an organizations specific needs. (Source: *Goldtree Training*).

[Guidance for gender based violence \(GBV\) monitoring and mitigation within non-GBV focused sectoral programming. Bloom S, Levy J, Karim N, Stefanik L, Kincaid M, Bartel D, Grimes K. CARE. 2014:](#) This document aims to address the increasing demand for clear guidance on how to practically and ethically monitor and mitigate gender-based violence (GBV) within non-emergency, international development programming, in which GBV is not a specific programmatic component. (Source: *CARE*).

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Applications:](#) 2019-20 Direct Assistance Program: Focusing on the Elimination of Violence against Women in Ecuador. Deadline: 15 December 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) Mama Cash's Spark Grant – Feminist Activism in the Netherlands. Deadline: 16 December 2019.

[Call for Proposals:](#) United States Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina, through the Office of Public Affairs – Women's Empowerment Small Grants Program. Deadline: 17 January 2020.

[Call for Applications:](#) DOJ/OVW – Rural Domestic Violence, Dating Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Program for the United States. Deadline: 27 January 2020.

[Request for Proposals:](#) Round 2 Options for Pregnancy Termination Innovation (OPTions) Initiative. Deadline: 11 February 2020.

[Call for Applications:](#) U.S. Department of Justice, OVW – 2020 Grants to Enhance Culturally Specific Services for Victims of Sexual Assault, Domestic Violence, Dating Violence and Stalking Program. Deadline: 12 February 2020.

[Request for Proposals:](#) The Asia Foundation – Afghan Women's Empowerment Fund. Deadline: 31 July 2020.



EVENTS



VACANCIES

- [Development and validation of a reproductive empowerment scale for use in Sub-Saharan Africa, 16 January 2020, 9am EST:](#) This webinar will discuss the multi-step process of developing and validating a reproductive empowerment scale for use in sub-Saharan Africa. Register [online](#).
- [AWID Forum: Feminist Realities – Our Power in Action, 11-14 January 2021, Taipei, Taiwan:](#) After careful consideration, the AWID Board of Directors has decided to change the venue for the 14th International AWID Forum. This event will now take place 11-14 January 2021 in Taipei, Taiwan. See more information [online](#).
- [Programme Specialist, Gender-Based Violence](#), UNFPA, Myitkyina, Myanmar – Closing date: 24 December 2019.
- [Senior Technical Expert - Gender Based Violence](#), Social Development Direct, UK – Closing date: 3 January 2020.
- [Programme Specialist, Mental Health and Psychosocial Support Specialist](#), UNFPA, Yangon, Myanmar – Closing date: 7 January 2020.
- [Human Rights Programme Intern](#), Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Geneva, Switzerland – Closing date: 19 January 2020.



NEWS

[Five ways women protested against sexual violence this year](#), Reuters, 10 December 2019.

[“Prevention of violence is possible”: a conversation with Rachel Jewkes about what we have learned from a five-year research program addressing prevention of violence against women and girls](#), IGWG, 9 December 2019.

[Why climate change fuels violence against women](#), Apolitical, 9 December 2019.

[A day of remembrance, action and accountability on femicide](#), The Hill, 6 December 2019.

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 increase awareness and promote research on sexual violence and its linkages to other forms of violence to influence policy and practice, particularly in low and middle income countries. To learn more about the SVRI visit our website www.svri.org or contact us at svri@mrc.ac.za

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