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I. 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.

[Five tips for writing qualitative research in high-impact journals: Moving from #BMJnoQual. Clark A.M, Thompson D.R, 1-3, 2016](#): This article describes five ways which can help those writing qualitative research for mainstream journals to maximize their chances of publication success. [Source: Sage journals].

[Structural pathways between child abuse, poor mental health outcomes and male-perpetrated intimate partner violence \(IPV\). Machisa M.T, Christofides N, Jewkes R. PLoS ONE 11\(3\), 1-15, 2016](#): This study describes the relationship and pathways between history of child abuse exposure and male-perpetrated IPV while exploring the potentially mediating effect of poor mental health. [Source: Research Gate].

['It's much worse than dying': the experiences of female victims of sexual violence. Dos Reis M.J, Lopes M.H, Osis M.J. J. Clin. Nurs. ePub, 2016](#): This article describes the experiences of women who have suffered sexual violence and the impact and importance of that violence in their lives. [Source: Safetylit].

[An examination of the gender inclusiveness of current theories of sexual violence in adulthood recognizing male victims, female perpetrators, and same-sex violence. Turchik J.A. Hebenstreit C.L. Judson S.S. Trauma Violence Abuse. 17\(2\) 133-148, 2016](#): This review examines the need and

importance of a gender inclusive conceptualization of sexual violence and to discuss how compatible our current theories are with this conceptualization. [Source: Sage Journals].

[Does information about neuropsychiatric diagnoses influence evaluation of child sexual abuse allegations? Lainpelto K, Isaksson J, Lindblad F. J. Child Sex. Abuse. 25\(3\): 276-292, 2016:](#) This study investigates if whether the attitudes toward children with neuropsychiatric disorders influence evaluations concerning allegations of child sexual abuse. [Source: Safetylit].

[Sexual assault disclosure recipients' experiences: emotional distress and changes in the relationship with the victim. Milliken J, Paul L.A, Sasson S, Porter A, Hasulube J. Violence Vict. ePub, 2016:](#) Sexual assault victims are more likely to disclose their experience to friends and family than formal support sources. As such, disclosure receipt is a relatively common occurrence, but little is known about the recipients' disclosure experience. This study examines predictors of recipient emotional distress and positive and negative changes in the victim-recipient relationship post-disclosure among 69 female undergraduates at 3 universities. [Source: Safetylit].

[Effects of child abuse and neglect on adult survivors. Johnson E.J, James C. Early Child Dev. Care. ePub, 2016:](#) This article attempts to bring out the psychosocial aspects of a case through Systems Theory and Cognitive Behavioural Therapy. Furthermore, it focuses on the psychological implications of an abused adult in early childhood and its impact on his development. [Source: Safetylit].

[Silenced suffering: The need for a better understanding of partner sexual violence. Logan T.K, Walker R, Cole J. Trauma, violence and abuse. 16\(2\) 111-135, 2015:](#) This article examines the current state of sexual violence research to highlight several shortcomings in the knowledge on partner sexual violence. It further describes several factors to consider in future research to facilitate a more in-depth understanding of partner sexual violence. [Source: Sage Journals].

[A systematic literature review of "rape victims" versus "rape survivors": implications for theory, research, and practice. Hockett J.M, Saucier D.A. Aggress. Violent Behav. 25A: 1-14, 2015:](#) This study systematically reviews past research on individuals' rape-related attitudes, beliefs, perceptions, behaviours, and experiences, and concluded that such framing does matter. [Source: Safetylit].

II. Online publications and resources

[The link between boys' victimization & adult perpetration of intimate partner violence: Opportunities for prevention across the life course. Baker L.L. Etherington N.A. Centre for Research and Education on Violence Against Women and Children. 2016 \(Pdf\):](#) This document builds on existing knowledge bases on GBV and prevention, with the aim of supporting researchers, policy-makers, and service providers in ending men's perpetration of gender-based violence. [Source: Centre for Research and Education on Violence Against Women & Children.].

[Gender analysis for health systems. Jhpiego, 2016 \(Pdf\):](#) This toolkit is a practical guide for public health professionals seeking to understand how gender can impact health outcomes, both through service delivery and access to information and care. Its primary focus is sexual, reproductive, maternal, new born, child and adolescent health. [Source: Jhpiego].

[Female genital cutting in Indonesia: A field study. Patel R. Roy K. Islamic Relief Canada. 2016 \(Pdf\):](#) This report examines female genital mutilation in Indonesia by conducting an extensive review of literature on the prevalence of FGC globally as well as in the country itself – including the work being carried out by various United Nations (UN) and other civil society agencies working on the eradication of FGC. [Source: Islamic Relief Worldwide].

III. Research opportunities, grants and funding

[Call for contributors: Rape cultures and survivors: An international perspective](#): Praeger Press will publish this 2-volume book on rape cultures and survivors focusing on situations in war and peacetime from the late 20th century to the present, the book will examine rape and rape culture, and how survivors have coped in various social and cultural contexts. Submit a brief (1-page) abstract and CV to Merrill Smith at merrildsmith@gmail.com or to Tuba Inal at tubapolisci@gmail.com. Completed articles will be due before or by September 1, 2016. [Source: International Program in Politics and Economics, University West].

[Call for contributors: Encyclopedia of rape and sexual violence](#): The encyclopaedia will focus on rape in various contexts throughout the world, covering topics such as marriage or intimate partner rape, drug-facilitated rape, and rape in war. To apply please send a brief CV or biography to Merrill D. Smith at merrildsmith@gmail.com. Submission deadline: 31 August 2016.

[Call for Papers 2016: Women's Economic Empowerment](#): The Journal of the Indian Ocean Region is the flagship journal of the Indian Ocean Research Group. It is also affiliated with the Indian Ocean Rim Association (IORA). It publishes interdisciplinary social science and policy research on the nature and impact of the human uses of the Indian Ocean Region (IOR), and works to increase knowledge of a wide range of traditional and non-traditional security threats in order to maintain peace and stability in the IOR. This journal seeks papers on women's economic empowerment. Abstracts should be emailed to Dr. Adela Alfonsi at adela.alfonsi@adelaide.edu.au. Submission deadline is: 15 August 2016. [Source: Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade].

[UK-South Africa researcher links call - workshop grants](#): The National Research Foundation (NRF) of South Africa in partnership with the British Council is pleased to invite applications for the UK – South Africa Researcher Links Newton fund grants. These grants are designed to provide financial support for researchers in the UK and South Africa. Apply [online](#). Application deadline: 27 June 2016. [Source: SAMRC].

IV. Websites

[Violence is Preventable: The personal safety and violence prevention programme](#): Violence is Preventable is an internationally acclaimed, evidence based personal safety and violence prevention programme. It is continually being developed based on extensive research, continual evaluation and partnership working. [Source: Prevent-Connect].

V. News

[UN envoy urges South Sudan to implement pledges to address sexual violence crimes, UN News, 11 May 2016](#): Concluding a four-day visit to Juba, South Sudan, the United Nations Special Representative on Sexual Violence in Conflict has urged high-level authorities of the Transitional Government of National Unity to implement commitments made to address sexual violence crimes.

[Child marriage increases after natural disasters: Here's how to prevent it, Huffpost Impact, 09 May 2016](#): When a natural disaster strikes, aid agencies are quick to provide such basics as food, water and shelter. But they also need to offer services that could prevent vulnerable girls from getting married, a new report concluded.

[Survivors of sexual assault face greater risk for cervical cancer and other deadly diseases, Medical daily, 08 May 2016](#): The findings from a new study highlights that ovarian cancer, liver disease, and other deadly complications are more common among victims of sexual violence.

[1 in 4 Nigerian men justifies violence against women, Development cable, 06 May 2016](#): Did you know that some men in Nigeria consider violence against women appropriate if the violated woman, for instance, burns his food, argues with him, neglects the children, refuses sexual relations or goes out without telling him.

[Religious leaders can end harmful cultural practices & advance women's empowerment, IPS News, 05 May 2016](#): Religious organizations have not only been moral pillars in the community, but they have also led in providing access to education and health for the marginalized. Now is the time for them to lead the drive towards demolishing harmful, man-made traditions and cultures.

VI. Events

[Webinar: Engaging religious actors to influence reproductive health and women's empowerment, 18 May 2016](#): This session is part of Sahel-Bangladesh Knowledge Exchange on Population Policy and Reproductive Health—a study visit of multi-sectoral leaders from five African countries to Dhaka to learn from the experience of the Bangladesh Population Policy. Bangladesh faced similar challenges to Sahel countries, but has since had many successes. An objective of the study visits is to understand how Sahel countries could engage religious actors to address population issues. Join this session [online](#). [Source: World Bank].

[AWID Webinar on Data, Resources and Women's Rights, 19 May 2016](#): AWID is honoured to provide a platform for feminist activists and women's rights advocates, including AWID members, partners and allies to dialogue, reflect and strategize on the role of data on resources and decision-making within women's movements. [Source: AWID Resources].

[Prosecuting conflict - Related sexual violence: What have we learnt? 16 June 2016, London, England](#): This conference will spotlight experiences and challenges in prosecuting sexual violence crimes at the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia and beyond. During this conference prosecutors, judges, advocates and practitioners will reflect on lessons learned from international, regional and hybrid tribunals and highlight specific experience from local jurisdictions. Register [online](#). [Source: women.peace.security].

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

VII. Vacancies

[Adolescent Girl Research Consultancy](#) / Girl Effect / London, UK / Closing date: 23 May 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Communications and Social Media Officer](#) / AIDS-Free World / Remote / Closing date: 27 May 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Gender Specialist, Pacific Women Support Unit](#) / Cardno / Suva, Fiji / Closing date: 29 May 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Quantitative Gender Justice Researcher](#) / Oxfam / Oxford, UK / Closing date: 30 May 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Global Legal Program Fall 2016 Legal Intern](#) / Center for Reproductive Rights / New York, USA / Closing date: 3 July 2016. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Economic Recovery and Development Officer, Gender Equality](#) / Economic Recovery & Development, International Rescue Committee / New York and Washington D.C, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[Youth Education Associate](#) / National Institute for Reproductive Health / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Senior Major Donor Officer](#) / National Institute for Reproductive Health / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: AWID jobs eNews].

[Senior Protection Coordinator](#) / International Rescue Committee / Athens, Greece / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

[REL Program Officer – Violence against Women and Children](#) / International Rescue Committee / New York, USA / Closing date: Open until filled. [Source: IRC].

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

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