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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](mailto:svri@mrc.ac.za). For more information and resources on sexual violence and the Sexual Violence Research Initiative visit [www.svri.org](http://www.svri.org). Please note that the SVRI Updates are also available on our [Facebook](#) page.

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#### [I. New SVRI Publications and Reports](#)

[Brief: Preventing sexual and intimate partner violence through funding innovative research. SVRI, World Bank Group. 2017](#): This brief provides information on the Sexual Violence Research Initiative and the World Bank Group's Development Marketplace for Innovation on GBV Prevention and Response awards.

#### [II. SVRI Member's request](#)

The Trust for Indigenous Culture and Health kindly requests you to sign their [petition](#) to help them in advocating for the reinstatement of the Safe Abortion Standards and Guidelines that enable women to get access to safe abortion services in Kenya.

View more information [online](#)

#### [III. SVRI Member's Announcement](#)

**Raising Voices is launching a new initiative: PIVOT (Preventing Violence Together) Partnerships**

As a field, we now know key evidence-based [principles](#) for effective violence against women prevention programming, and that applying these principles to our practice can help to create safer relationships and communities. However, the skills for translating these principles into practice can sometimes be a challenge. The PIVOT Partnerships are a one year initiative that include a four day in-person training course in Kampala followed by a year of technical support with the aim of supporting activists and practitioners to apply key principles to their own VAW prevention work, and to re-design programming content to strengthen alignment with key principles of prevention programming.

Find out more during the PIVOT webinar on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 12pm East Africa time. Register for the webinar by emailing [learningcenter@raisingvoices.org](mailto:learningcenter@raisingvoices.org) with the subject line 'PIVOT' and with your organization name, contact person, email address, and phone number.

#### IV. 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.***

[Exploring the sexual and reproductive health issues of visually impaired women in Ghana. Karimu A.A. Reproductive Health Matters. 25\(50\), ePub, 2017](#): In this study, the author explores the sexual and reproductive health challenges of visually impaired women in Ghana. [Source: University of Cape Coast].

[A comparison of intimate partner and other sexual assault survivors' use of different types of specialized hospital-based violence services. Du Mont J, Woldeyohannes M, MacDonald S, Kosa D, Turner L. BMC Womens Health. 17\(1\), e59, 2017](#): In this study, authors describe the use of acute care services post-victimization, as well as a broad range of survivor and assault characteristics, across women assaulted by current or former intimate partners, other known assailants, and strangers. [Source: Safetylit].

[Intersections between polyvictimisation and mental health among adolescents in five urban disadvantaged settings: the role of gender. Kamndaya M, Pisa P.T, Chersich M.F, Decker M.R, Olumide A, Acharya R, Cheng Y, Brahmhatt H, Delany-Moretlwe S. BMC Public Health. 17\(Suppl 3\), 4348, 2017](#): Polyvictimisation (PV) – exposure to violence across multiple contexts – causes considerable morbidity and mortality among adolescents. Despite high levels of violence in urban disadvantaged settings, gender differences in associations between PV and mental health have not been well established. [Source: BMC Public Health].

["When I first saw a condom, I was frightened": A qualitative study of sexual behaviour, love and life of young cross-border migrants in urban Chiang Mai, Thailand. Tangmunkongvorakul A, Musumari P.M, Srithanaviboonchai K, Manoyos V, Techasrivichien T, Suguimoto S.P,5, Ono-Kihara M, Kihara M, Chariyalertsak S. PLoS One. 12\(8\), e0183255, 2017](#): This study describes young migrant workers' sexual behaviour, lifestyles, relationships and experiences with youth-friendly sexual and reproductive health services. [Source: PLoS One].

[Interventions to prevent child marriage among young people in low- and middle-income countries: A Systematic review of the published and gray literature. Kalamar A.M, Lee-Rife S, Hindin M.J. Journal of Adolescent Health. 59\(Suppl 3\), s16-s21, 2016](#): In this article, authors identify high-quality interventions and evaluations to decrease child marriage in low- and middle-income countries. [Source: ScienceDirect].

## V. Online Publications and Resources

[Addressing intimate partner violence in South Asia: Evidence for interventions in the health sector, women's collectives, and local governance mechanisms. Pande, R.P, Nanda P, Bopanna, K, Kashyap A. New Delhi: International Center for Research on Women. 2017:](#) This review seeks to understand how best to design responsive intimate partner violence interventions by examining relevant programs that were or are being implemented in South Asia. [Source: WUNRN].

[Standard Operating Procedures for the Management of Child Survivors of Sexual Violence. LVCT Health, 2017:](#) These Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) have been developed to facilitate joint action by all health actors to effectively respond to child sexual violence. They provide a practical guide for health care providers on the appropriate care of children and adolescents who have experienced sexual violence based on current, evidence-based practices. [Source: Population Council].

[Caregivers information package on child sexual abuse. Ajema C, Digolo L, Mwanzia M, Kiruki M, Kotut R, Wairimu G, Gaitho M, Njuguna J. LVCT Health. 2017:](#) This information pack defines child sexual abuse and all its forms. [Source: Population Council].

[Child sexual abuse: A help guide for children. Ajema C, Digolo L, Mwanzia M, Kiruki M, Kotut R, Wairimu G, Gaitho M, Njuguna J. LVCT Health. 2017:](#) This guideline describes child sexual abuse to equip children with knowledge of what child sexual abuse is.

## VI. Research Opportunities, Grants and Funding

[Call for papers: Special issue of Journal of Lesbian Studies - Lesbians and The Law:](#) This special issue is intended to extend discussion of the relationship between lesbians (broadly defined as women who love women) and the law. The goal of the Special Issue is to explore the relational nexus between lesbians and different frameworks, processes, rules, policies, institutions, and applications of law. Submissions close: 8 September 2017. [Source: WUNRN].

[Call for applications: The Women Deliver Young Leaders Program:](#) this program trains, elevates, and empowers youth advocates to catalyze action for gender equality, including the sexual and reproductive health and rights of girls, women, and young people. The time required to participate in the program depends on the individual, but Young Leaders should expect to commit up to five hours per week. The 2018 Class of Women Deliver Young Leaders will participate in a two-year program, beginning in January 2018 and ending in December 2019, after which engagement through the Women Deliver Young Leaders alumni network is possible. Applications close: 13 October 2017. [Source: Women Deliver].

## VII. News

[When male unemployment rates rise, so do sexual harassment claims, Harvard Business Review, 14 August 2017:](#) Study findings help show that sex discrimination and sexual harassment in the workplace is a way to assert power and control.

[How bride prices drive terrorism recruitment in Middle East, Africa, Asia, USA Today, 11 August 2017:](#) A new article in MIT Press Journal argues that many young, male recruits who are driven to terrorist organizations for financial reasons are actually aspiring to use the money to help themselves and their brothers get married.

[Too little aid money is reaching grassroots women's organizations, News Deeply, 31 July 2017](#): When governments in the global north provide aid to the global south, they rarely invest directly in the organizations that are already making a difference on the ground. Jessica Neuwirth of Donor Direct Action says that needs to change.

## VIII. Events

[Webinar: Respect effect – A new tool for teen dating violence prevention, 31 August 2017](#): During this webinar, presenters give you a full introduction to Respect Effect, a new app for teen dating violence prevention, and walk you through the app's many tools and functions. Curious about using this tool in your work with teens? The presenters will also share a case study, in which their special guests Break The Cycle will walk us through their experience introducing and using Respect Effect in their violence prevention work with youth. [Futures without Violence].

[International workshop on qualitative methods in evaluation of public health programs, 22-28 October 2017, Accra, Ghana](#): USAID's MEASURE Evaluation Project is pleased to announce the intermediate level course designed for mid-level health professionals, administrators, program managers, and other professionals involved in the implementation and evaluation of public health programs. The course provides intensive, hands-on training in qualitative research methods in evaluation with an emphasis on moving beyond basic concepts to explore important considerations of qualitative methods in the context of rigorous evaluation. Applications must be submitted to University of Ghana by 31 August 2017. For more information, contact the MEASURE Evaluation Training Officer at [measure\\_training@unc.edu](mailto:measure_training@unc.edu). [Source: MEASURE Evaluation].

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

## IX. Vacancies

[Senior Manager, Gender](#) / Girl Effect / Mumbai, India / Closing date: 18 August 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Advocacy and Communications Interns](#) / Make Every Woman Count / Flexible / Closing date: 20 August 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Gender and Health Consultant](#) / UNICEF / New York, USA / Closing date: 21 August 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Communications and Media Internship](#) / Promundo / Washington, USA / Closing date: 23 August 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Champions of Change for Gender Equality and Girls' Rights](#) / Plan International / Flexible / Closing date: 27 August 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Equality Adviser](#) / Concern Worldwide / Dublin, Ireland / Closing date: 27 August 2017. [Source: Concern Worldwide].

[Radio Operator](#) / UN Women / Kabul, Afghanistan / Closing date: 29 August 2017. [Source: AWID

Jobs eNews].

[Project Officer](#) / Gender and Media Connect / Harare, Zimbabwe / Closing date: 30 August 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Internship opportunity: Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights \(SRHR\) networking in Southern Africa](#) / Hivos Hub SA / Johannesburg, South Africa / Closing date: 1 September 2017. [Source: Hivos].

[Senior Law and Policy Officer](#) / Focus on Labour Exploitation (FLEX) / London, UK / Closing date: 4 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[President and Chief Executive Officer](#) / Planned Parenthood Great Plains (PPGP) / Kansas, USA / Closing date: 8 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

[Deputy Head, Gender and Security Division](#) / DCAF / Geneva, Switzerland / Closing date: 15 September 2017. [Source: AWID Jobs eNews].

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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.

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