



SEXUAL VIOLENCE RESEARCH INITIATIVE



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SVRI MEMBERS' REQUESTS

1. [Request for support](#): Our Voices network seeks to develop a better understanding of the ethical and practical issues of involving children affected by sexual violence in child centred, rights based participatory research and related teaching and learning initiatives. The network is coordinated by the International Centre: Researching child sexual exploitation, violence and trafficking at the University of Bedfordshire in the UK, with current support from the Oak Foundation. If you work in the field of sexual violence against children and are interested in sharing information about your work, kindly complete the [online form](#).
2. [Survey call for participation: views and experiences of self-identified ritual abuse survivors on the use of online forums and social media platforms](#): This online survey aims to understand study participants' views and experiences as a self-identified ritual abuse survivor on the use of online forums and social media platforms. This research is being carried out by a PhD candidate through the University of Dundee School of Education and Social Work. The results from this study will be used to inform other survivors on the advantages and disadvantages of using online forums and social media platforms. The findings will also be used in improving online services for other survivors. Complete the survey online, [here](#), before 16 April 2019.

JOURNAL ARTICLES

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[Changing social norms: the importance of "organized diffusion" for scaling up community health promotion and women empowerment interventions. Cislaghi B, Denny E.K, Cissé M, Gueye P, Shrestha B, Shrestha P.N, Ferguson G, Hughes C, Clark C.J. Prevention Science. ePub, 2019](#): In this paper, authors look at the potential of "organized diffusion" as a cost-effective strategy to expand the positive effects of community-based interventions to participants' networks and achieving sustainable normative shifts. (Source: *What Works Global Programme*).

[Violence against Afghan women by husbands, mothers-in-law and siblings-in-law/siblings: risk markers and health consequences in an analysis of the baseline of a randomised controlled trial. Jewkes R, Corboz J, Gibbs A. PLoS ONE, 14\(2\), 1-14, 2019](#): This study describes patterns and the frequency of mother-in-law and sibling-in-law/sibling physical violence in relation to physical violence from husbands, and describes risk characteristics and associated health behaviours of women with different abuse exposures. (Source: *What Works Global Programme*).

[Meeting the needs of adolescent and emerging adult victims of sexual violence in their romantic relationships: a mixed methods study exploring barriers to help-seeking. Fernet M, Hébert M, Couture S, Brodeur G. Child Abuse Negl. 91, 41-51, 2019](#): This study explores barriers and facilitators to help-seeking to improve access to services for adolescents and emerging adults who report sexual domestic violence. (Source: *Safetylit*).

[Experiences of gender-based violence among female sex workers, men who have sex with men, and transgender women in Latin America and the Caribbean: a qualitative study to inform HIV programming. Evens E, Lanham M, Santi K, Cooke J, Ridgeway K, Morales G, Parker C, Brennan C, de Bruin M, Desrosiers P.C, Diaz X, Drago M, McLean R, Mendizabal M, Davis D, Hershov R.B, Dayton R. BMC Int. Health Hum. Rights. 19\(1\), e9, 2019](#): This study seeks to understand the nature and consequences of gender based violence experienced by female sex workers, men who have sex with men, and transgender women in Latin America and the Caribbean, to inform HIV policies and programming. (Source: *Safetylit*).

[The influence of peer support for violence and peer acceptance of rape myths on multiple forms of interpersonal violence among youth. Collibee C, Rizzo C, Bleiweiss K, Orchowski L.M. J. Interpers. Violence. ePub, 2019](#): This study examines the potential shared risk of peer approval for sexual violence and peer endorsement of rape myths and multiple forms of violence among youth. (Source: *Safetylit*).

[Indashyikirwa women's safe spaces: informal response for survivors of IPV within a Rwandan prevention programme. Stern E, Carlson K. Soc. Sci. 8\(76\), 1-15, 2019](#): This paper focuses on direct support to survivors of intimate partner violence (IPV) through the Indashyikirwa women's safe spaces programme. Indashyikirwa is a Rwandan IPV prevention programme, which established 14 women's safe spaces, whereby men and women could access support for IPV, be referred or accompanied to other services. (Source: *What Works Global Programme*).

[Childhood traumas as a risk factor for HIV-risk behaviours amongst young women and men living in urban informal settlements in South Africa: A cross-sectional study. Gibbs A, Dunkle K, Washington L, Willan S, Shai N, Jewkes R. PLoS ONE. 13\(4\), 1-12, 2018](#): This study seeks to understand the relationship between physical, sexual and emotional childhood abuse and subsequent HIV-risk behaviours amongst young people (18–30) living in urban informal settlements in Durban, South Africa. (Source: *What Works Global Programme*).

ONLINE RESOURCES

[Country profile: FGM in Somalia and Somaliland. 28 Too Many. 2019](#): This report explores the prevalence of female genital mutilation (FGM) and highlights the progress being made to end FGM as well as the challenges still to be overcome. (Source: *28 Too Many*).

[Evidence brief: Rethinking relationships – from violence to equality in the Democratic Republic of Congo. Bezzolato E, Deepan P, O'Sullivan V, Lele U, Le Roux L, Palm S. TearFund. 2019](#): This study suggests that effective approaches to engaging faith leaders require an intervention model that is practical and meaningful to faith leaders and their communities. (Source: *What Works Global Programme*).

[So, you want to be a male ally for gender equality? \(and you should\): results from a national survey, and a few things you should know. Promundo-US. 2019:](#) This report provides guidance for workplaces seeking to create cultures of respect, equality, and inclusivity and for men seeking to better understand what women want and need from them as allies for gender equality. (Source: Promundo-US).

[Disseminating ideas. Understanding SASA! Adaptations. Raising Voices:](#) The Adaptations Study demonstrates SASA!'s powerful ability to resonate in diverse communities, provoking personal, organizational, and collective reflections on power to foster more gender equitable, non-violent relationships and norms. (Source: Raising Voices).

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Proposals:](#) EuroMed Feminist Initiative – Strengthening access to protection, participation and services for women refugees and host communities. Deadline: 23 March 2019.

[Call for Proposals:](#) EuroMed Feminist Initiative – Strengthening Access to Protection, Participation and Services for Women Refugees, Internally Displaced People (Idps) and Women in the Host Communities in Lebanon. Deadline: 24 March 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) SVRI Forum 2019 Bursaries. Deadline: 25 March 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) UNITAR Hiroshima Women's Leadership Programme for Afghanistan: SDGs, Action Plans and Governance. Deadline: 26 March 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) UK Research and Innovation Global Challenges Research Fund. Deadline: 2 April 2019.

[Call for Submissions:](#) International Women's Media Foundation – Reporting Initiative on the Rights Of Women and LGBTIQ + Communities in Latin America. Deadline: 2 April 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) MRC/DFID African Research Leader scheme 2019. Deadline: 9 April 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) William T. Grant Foundation – Research Grants on Reducing Inequality. Deadline: 1 May 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) Rosa – 'Voices From The Frontline' Programme for Supporting Women's Organisations in UK. Deadline: 14 May 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) Gamma Mu Foundation – 2019 Grant Program. Deadline: 31 May 2019.

[Call for Papers:](#) Special Issue of Girlhood Studies, An Interdisciplinary Journal – Activism networks by, for, and with girls and young women. Deadline: 15 June 2019.

EVENTS

- [Roundtable discussion: Breaking down the barriers – national commission on domestic and sexual violence and multiple disadvantage, 20 March 2019, UK:](#) This event will examine the situation of women and girls who have experienced violence, and who go on to face a range of other issues including homelessness, addiction and poor mental health. To secure your place please RSVP to projects@weareagenda.org
- [Webinar: Interpreting models for categorical and count outcomes – Marginal effects, adjusted predictions, tests, and graphs, 21 March 2019, 3pm CT:](#) Stata provides a rich suite of commands for interpreting results of regression models. You can use these tools to help you understand the results of a model with a binary, an ordered, or a count outcome. Join Rose Medeiros, Senior Statistician, as she demonstrates the power of Stata's commands, such as margins and marginsplot. Find out how to estimate average predictions, test for differences, and obtain contrasts. See how you can plot the results and easily interpret them. Register [online](#).
- [Prevention Collaborative Webinar on: Implementing and Evaluating the Common Elements Treatment Approach \(CETA\) in Reducing Intimate Partner Violence and Hazardous Alcohol use in Zambia \(VATU\), 28 March 2019, 7am ET:](#) In this webinar, practitioners and researchers will present recent work on an evidence-based approach to prevent and reduce violence within high-risk homes in Lusaka, Zambia. Register [online](#).
- [2019 National Sexual Health Conference, 10-12 July 2019, Chicago, USA:](#) This conference aims to create opportunities to share information, efforts, and best practices around sexual health across the lifespan by bridging the varied disciplines of education, advocacy, and clinical care, among others.

VACANCIES

- [Request for Proposals - Feminist Evaluator](#), RESURJ, Flexible – Closing date: 15 March 2019.
- [Program and Development Assistant](#), JASS (Just Associates), Washington, DC, USA – Closing date: 21 March 2019.
- [Executive Assistant to Regional Director](#), The Strategic Initiative for Women in the Horn of Africa, Kampala, Uganda or Flexible – Closing date: 22 March 2019.
- [Quantitative Research Associate](#), Promundo-US, Washington DC, USA – Closing date: 22 March 2019.
- [Consultant for a Mid-term Review - MENA Regional Strategic Framework](#), Kvinna till Kvinna, Flexible – Closing date: 24 March 2019.
- [Communications Assistant](#), The Strategic Initiative for Women in the Horn of Africa, Kampala, Uganda or Flexible – Closing date: 24 March 2019.
- [Team Leader: Stopping Abuse and Female Exploitation](#), Ecorys, Harare, Zimbabwe – Closing date: 29 March 2019.
- [Assistant in the Latin America and Caribbean Team](#), Girls not Brides: The Global Partnership to End Child Marriage Secretariat, Mexico City, Mexico – Closing date: 1 April 2019.
- [Director, Humanitarian Action and Resilience](#), Action Aid International, Johannesburg, South Africa; Nairobi, Kenya or London, UK – Closing date: 17 April 2019.
- [Deputy Director](#), Fuller Project for International Reporting, Washington, DC, USA – Closing date: Open until filled.

- [Philanthropic Engagement Manager](#), Urgent Action Fund for Women's Human Rights, Oakland or New York City, USA – Closing date: Open until filled.
- [Program Officer - International Gender, Racial and Ethnic Justice](#), Ford Foundation, New York City, NY, USA – Closing date:

NEWS

[UK funded project reduces domestic violence by almost 60 per cent in DRC](#), The Daily Telegraph, 13 March, 2019.

[How recognising Jesus as a victim of sexual abuse might help shift Catholic culture](#), The Conversation, 12 March 2019.

[Tattoo therapy: how ink helps sexual assault survivors heal](#), CNN, 12 March 2019.

[Syrian forces use widespread sexual violence to humiliate and silence male prisoners, new report says](#), The Washington Post, 11 March 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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