



SEXUAL VIOLENCE RESEARCH INITIATIVE



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SVRI FORUM 2019 INFORMATION AND UPDATES

Dear SVRI Members and Partners,

We are all excited to see you in Cape Town! As we get closer to the SVRI Forum 2019, please see below conference information and updates.

Registration: Many international experts have already secured a place at the world's key research conference on violence against women and other forms of violence driven by gender inequality in low and middle-income countries. Secure your place today by completing the [online registration form](#) and paying your registration on or before **30 September 2019**.

Pre-conference workshops: With seats filling up fast, the SVRI Forum 2019 Organising Committee encourages all those wanting to attend the capacity building pre-conference workshops to [register](#) online as soon as possible!

Side Events on 25 October 2019: Don't forget to [RSVP](#) to attend the exciting and innovative side events scheduled for 25 October 2019 at SVRI Forum 2019.

Exhibitions: Become an exhibitor at SVRI Forum 2019. Exhibitors will have the opportunity to increase brand awareness for their organisations' products and services among an audience of Forum delegates. [Book](#) an exhibition booth before **2 September 2019**.

Accommodation Information: All participants are expected to arrange their accommodation by themselves. Check out the [accommodation page](#) on our website for suggested hotels near the conference venue. Rooms are getting booked out quickly so book as soon as you can.

Visa Information: It is the delegate's responsibility to investigate the visa requirements for South Africa and to apply for a visa, if necessary. A letter of invitation to attend the SVRI Forum 2019 is available [online](#) (for those who need it).

Please feel free to email us at Svri.Forums@mrc.ac.za, should you need any assistance in relation to the SVRI Forum 2019.

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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.

Cyber sexual harassment: prevalence and association with substance use, poor mental health, and STI history among sexually active adolescent girls. [Reed E, Salazar M, Behar A.I, Agah N, Silverman J.G, Minnis A.M, Rusch M.L.A, Raj A. J. Adolesc. 75, 53-62, 2019](#): This study assesses the prevalence, perpetrators, and consequences of cyber sexual harassment among adolescent girls. (Source: *Science Direct*).

Women's experiences of impairment and incapacitation during alcohol/drug-related sexual assaults: toward a survivor-informed approach to measurement. [Ullman S.E, O'Callaghan E, Lorenz K. Arch. Sex. Behav. ePub, 2019](#): This study seeks to shed light on impaired/incapacitated sexual assault experiences presenting 141 qualitative written responses of women who were drinking and/or using substances at the time of their assault. (Source: *Safetylit*).

Every cloud has a silver lining but... "pathways to seeking formal-help and South-Asian immigrant women survivors of intimate partner violence". [Mahapatra N, Rai A. Health Care Women Int. ePub, 2019](#): In this study, authors seek to understand the pathways used by abused South Asian women to seek formal sources of help. (Source: *NBCI*).

The epidemiology of rape and sexual violence in the platinum mining district of Rustenburg, South Africa: prevalence, and factors associated with sexual violence. [Steele S.J, Abrahams N, Duncan K, Woollett N, Hwang B, O'Connell L, van Cutsem G, Shroufi A. PLoS One. ePub, 2019](#): This study provides clarity by quantifying the prevalence of sexual violence (forced sex or sexual acts) by 1) sexual partners, and 2) non-partners; and describes factors associated with these outcomes among women (18–49 years) living in Rustenburg Municipality, South Africa. (Source: *PLoS One*).

Factors associated with IPV victimisation of women and perpetration by men in migrant communities of Nepal. [Shai N, Pradhan G.D, Chirwa E, Shrestha R, Adhikari A, Kerr-Wilson A. PLoS One. ePub, 2019](#): This study describes the prevalence of intimate partner violence (IPV) focusing on women's victimisation and men's perpetration, and examines the factors influencing IPV victimisation and perpetration among women and men enrolled in a research project in migrant communities of Baglung, Nepal. (Source: *PLoS One*).

A sex-disaggregated analysis of how emotional violence relates to suicide ideation in low- and middle-income countries. [Seff J, Stark L. Child Abuse & Neglect. 93, 222-227, 2019](#): This study examines how exposure to emotional violence is associated with suicide ideation in childhood and adolescence in low- and middle-income countries, and whether this association differs by sex. (Source: *Science Direct*).

ONLINE RESOURCES

Website: Gender-Based Violence Area of Responsibility (UNFPA): The GBV AoR brings together non-governmental organisations, UN agencies, academics and others under the shared objective of ensuring life-saving, predictable, accountable and effective gender based violence prevention, risk mitigation and response in emergencies, both natural disaster and conflict-related humanitarian contexts. Check out their new revitalized [website](#).

[Webpage: Caring for Child Survivors. International Rescue Committee, UNICEF](#): This webpage offers guidelines and tools for health and psychosocial staff working with child survivors of sexual abuse in humanitarian settings. (Source: *International Rescue Committee*).

[Boys on the Move. UNFPA. EECARO. 2019](#): Boys on the Move is based on a non-formal curriculum designed for unaccompanied and separated male adolescents displaced by conflict, poverty or related causes. It is delivered over ten sessions that each address various issues that they face during their migration journeys. The initiative helps boys identify risks and solve problems in a constructive way. They improve their understanding of sexual and reproductive health and build their capacity to avoid becoming victims of trafficking. For more information see [brochure](#), [participant handbook](#) and [facilitator handbook](#). (Source: *UNFPA EECARO*).

[Girl Shine. Foulds K, Shoecraft K, Jaswal M Gould M, Assefa A, French S, Torres V. IRC, International Rescue Committee. 2018](#): This program model and resource package is designed to help contribute to the improved prevention of and response to violence against adolescent girls in humanitarian settings by providing them with skills and knowledge to identify types of gender based violence (GBV) and seek support services if they experience or are at risk of GBV. (Source: *Save The Children*).

[Essential services package for women and girls subject to violence. UN Women, UNFPA, WHO, UNDP, UNODC. 2015](#): The Essential Services Package reflects the vital components of coordinated multi-sectoral responses for women and girls subject to violence. (Source: *WUNRN*).

PODCASTS

[G@W-CREA Podcast Series, Episode 5: How can we reboot cross-movement alliance building for greater collective voice and impact. 23 July 2019](#): At a time when conservative, fundamentalist and fascist forces appear to be achieving political dominance, the need for progressive movements to build strong alliances and collective resistance appears paramount – yet, few such alliances are visible and sustaining cross-movement solidarity is very hard work. This episode explores why this is the case, what are the fault lines, and some success stories of cross-movement alliances and the lessons we can learn from them. (Source: *CREA*).

[G@W-CREA Podcast Series, Episode 4: Reimagining Consent, Pleasure and Danger: Why and how do we need to reimagine ideas around consent, pleasure and danger. 18 July 2019](#): This episode examines why we need to reimagine prevailing ideas around consent, pleasure and danger as embedded in our laws, social norms, and feminist movement politics. (Source: *CREA*).

[GBVIMS Podcast: “To make people count, we have to count people right” – Disability Data Collection](#): This episode discusses the importance of collecting disability statistics in humanitarian settings. Listen to learn why it’s important to collect this data, a method for collection, and resources for integration of these methods. (Source: *GBVIMS*).

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Applications](#): Women’s Global Development and Prosperity WomenConnect Challenge. Deadline: 6 August 2019.

[Call for Applications](#): MacArthur Foundation's 100andChange Competition. Deadline: 6 August 2019

[Call for Proposal in Malawi](#): Women’s Peace and Humanitarian Fund & Spotlight Initiative. Deadline: 18 August 2019.

[Call for Proposals for Nigeria](#): Women’s Peace and Humanitarian Fund and Spotlight Initiative. Deadline: 23 August 2019.

[Call for Proposals](#): Prevention of Human Trafficking and Protection of Victims – Bosnia and Herzegovina. Deadline: 23 August 2019.

[Call for Proposals](#): SVRI and World Bank Group Development Marketplace Award for Innovation in the Prevention and Response of Gender Based Violence 2020. Deadline: 13 September 2019.

[Call for proposals](#): Government of Canada – Health and Rights for Women, Adolescent girls and Children. Deadline: 10 October 2019.

[Call for Papers](#): Universal health coverage – sexual and reproductive rights in focus. Deadline: 31 December 2019.

EVENTS

- [Systematic Review Methods Webinar: Qualitative Evidence Synthesis Methods, 13 August 2019](#): Cochrane South Africa invites you to a webinar on methods for conducting a qualitative evidence synthesis (QES). This webinar will introduce the different stages in conducting a QES including protocol registration, literature search, screening, sampling, quality appraisal, data extraction and analysis, CERQual and writing up the review findings. At each stage the presenters will highlight specific methods linked to QES. This webinar is aimed at researchers and health professionals interested in conducting systematic reviews of healthcare interventions. RSVP by 12h00 on Friday, 9 August 2019 to cochranesa@mrc.ac.za.
- [Online Course: Second round of caring for children moving alone, Starts 2 September 2019](#): This course is about the care and protection of unaccompanied and separated refugee and migrant children who are moving across and between countries. This course will provide an understanding of the risks and vulnerabilities these children face. It will inform the improvement of policy, practice and delivery of support services that uphold children’s rights and meet their best interests. Register [online](#).
- [Nursing Network on Violence against Women International, 30 June – 2 July 2020, Malmö, Sweden](#): This conference provides a forum for

VACANCIES

- [Communications Officer/Senior Communications Officer](#), ODI, London, UK – Closing date: 5 August 2019.
- [Consultant: Scoping Exercise for the Prevention of Sexual and Gender-Based Violence \(SGBV\) in Humanitarian Crises](#), InterAction, Washington, DC, USA and flexible – Closing date: 5 August 2019.
- [Consultant - Support the Government of South Africa in the Costing of the NPOA, Alignment of the NPOA to NSP and Supporting the Government in Developing High-Level Reports to the Global Partnership and UNGA \(for Nationals Only\)](#), South Africa, UNICEF – Closing date: 8 August 2019.
- [Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist](#), International Finance Corporation, Location Not Specified – Closing date: 15 August 2019.
- [GBV Monitoring and Evaluation Consultant](#), GBV Sub-Cluster, Turkey – Closing date: 15 August 2019.
- [Managing Editor](#), Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters, Home based – Closing date: 18 August 2019.

nurses, midwives, social workers, counsellors, physicians, advocates, criminologists, community activists, policy makers and researchers to share their work and engage in dialogue about innovations in research, practice, education and policy that support action to create a violence-free world. The [Call for Abstracts](#) has been released, with submissions closing 31st August 2019.

- [Programme Officer](#), Feminist Law and Practice Programme, Asia Pacific Forum on Women, Law and Development, Thailand or Malaysia – Closing date: 19 August 2019.
- [Research Fellow](#), Humanitarian Policy Group, ODI, London, UK – Closing date: 25 August 2019.
- [Engaging Men through Accountable Practice Consultant](#), International Programs, International Medical Corps, Pakistan – Closing date: Not Specified.

NEWS

[To understand violent men, talk to the women who know them](#), The Guardian, 1 August 2019.

[Southern Africa needs better health care for women and girls on the move](#), The Conversation, 31 July 2019.

[India's #MeToo movement, one year on](#), NPR, 29 July 2019.

[Men and HIV: how poverty, violence and inequality play a part](#), The Conversation, 28 July 2019.

[Russia's version of #MeToo has struggled to take off — until now](#), Time, 26 July 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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