



SVRI Update



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Please note that the next SVRI Update will be published on 31 October 2019 due to hosting of the SVRI Forum 2019 next week.

SVRI FORUM 2019, 21-25 OCTOBER 2019, CAPE TOWN, SOUTH AFRICA



Only a few days left to kickstart the SVRI Forum 2019 in the beautiful Mother City, Cape Town, South Africa. We are super excited to meet all registered delegates.

Don't wait until you get to the conference to start making connections with fellow delegates, [Download](#) the Conference App now to Share | Connect | Learn.

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Don't forget to book your space to networking @ SVRI Forum 2019!

[Sharing our stories: breakfast with leading researchers and activists, Wednesday 23 October, 7:30 – 8:30am](#): The SVRI Forum has a history of building community, personal connections, and life-long professional relationships. This year the Forum will provide a number of additional networking activities including a breakfast where you where you can meet leading activists and researchers who will discuss their professional trajectories, their motivations for continuing in this field, and share advice and stories with you. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Kindly [RSVP online](#).

[Speed networking, Tuesday 22 October, 18h00 – 18h50](#): Join us for our first ever speed networking event at the SVRI Forum 2019. This event will match like-minded individuals in discussing their topics of interest to build lasting friendships and professional relationships. Space is limited and pre-registration is required. Kindly [RSVP online](#).

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.

[Preventing violence against children in schools \(PVACS\): protocol for a cluster randomised controlled trial of the EmpaTeach behavioural intervention in Nyarugusu refugee camp. Devries K.M, Fabbri C, Allen E, Barongo V, Shayo E, Greco G, Kaemingk M, Qiu M, Steinacher R, Tol W, Rodrigues K. BMC Public Health. ePub, 2019](#): In this study, authors test the effectiveness of the EmpaTeach intervention to prevent physical violence from teachers to students in Nyarugusu Refugee Camp, Tanzania. (Source: NBCI).

[Intimate partner violence and work: a scoping review of published research. MacGregor J.C.D, Oliver C.L, MacQuarrie B.J, Wathen C.N. Trauma Violence Abuse. ePub, 2019](#): Increasingly, intimate partner violence (IPV) is recognized as having important impacts on work. This scoping review describes the nature and extent of research on IPV and workers, the workplace, and/or employment. (Source: SAGE Journals).

[The prevalence of intimate partner violence among couples signing up for universally offered parent preparation. Trillingsgaard T.L, Fentz H.N, Simonsen M, Heyman R.E. PLoS One. ePub, 2019](#): This study examines the prevalence, direction, and severity of intimate partner violence in a sample of expectant couples signing up for universally-offered parent preparation. (Source: PLoS ONE).

[Intimate partner violence: barriers to action and opportunities for intervention among health care providers in São Paulo, Brazil. Evans D.P, Shojaie D.Z, Sahay K.M, DeSousa N.W, Hall C.D, Vertamatti M.A.F. J Interpers Violence. ePub, 2019](#): This study seeks to identify structural and interpersonal barriers to intimate partner violence response among health care providers working in public health clinics in Santo André, Brazil. (Source: NBCI).

[Sex work, discrimination, drug use and violence: a pattern for HIV risk among transgender sex workers compared to MSM sex workers and other MSM in Guatemala. Miller W.M, Miller W.C, Barrington C, Weir S.S, Chen S.Y, Emch M.E, Pettifor A.E, Paz-Bailey G. Glob Public Health. ePub, 2019](#): This study determines the prevalence and association of alcohol and drug abuse, discrimination and violence among transgender sex workers compared to cisgender male sex workers and cisgender men who had not received money for sex in Guatemala City. (Source: NBCI).

[Test-retest stability of self-reported violence against women measures: results from the stepping stones and creating futures pilot. Gibbs A, Pretorius L, Jewkes R. Glob. Health Action. ePub, 2019](#): This study assesses the test-retest stability of violence against women and girls' measures, amongst young people (aged 18-30) in South Africa. (Source: SafetyLit).

[Sexual and reproductive rights under attack: the advance of political and moral conservatism in Brazil. Brandao E.R, da Silva Cabral C. Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters. ePub, 2019](#): This article discusses political setbacks related to sexual and reproductive health and rights that have occurred in Brazil in the last 5 years (2014–2018) resulting from the significant role played by Christian (Evangelical and Catholic) parliamentarians in the legislative branch. (Source: Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters).



BLOGS

[Pleasurable sex as a human right: an idea that has happily caught up to its constituents.](#) Purdy C. 10 October 2019: It was important news in reproductive health circles that a declaration by the Guttmacher-Lancet Commission in May 2018 announced a new definition of sexual and reproductive health that included pleasurable sex as a human right for the first time. [Read more...](#) (Source: *Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters*).

[Igniting change: Shifting harmful gender norms in the Pacific.](#) Soni T, Honda T, Homan S, Leung L. 18 March 2019: This blog post profiles Oxfam's Safe Families program aimed at transforming harmful gender norms in the Solomon Islands

ONLINE RESOURCES

[The common elements treatment approach a proven way to treat violence against women and alcohol abuse. Evidence brief from a randomized clinical trial in Lusaka, Zambia. What Works to Prevent Violence Against Women and Girls Global Programme. 2019:](#) Given the adverse health, economic, and social effects of intimate partner violence (IPV) on individuals, families, and communities, preventing IPV is a critical priority for sustainable development in Zambia. This report explores an intervention seeking to address intimate partner violence. (Source: *What Works Global Programme*).

[Cash and voucher assistance and gender based violence compendium: practical guidance for humanitarian practitioners. a companion guide to the IASC GBV guidelines. CARE USA. 2019:](#) This report compendium highlights key considerations, essential actions, promising practices and lessons learned to help humanitarian practitioners work with affected people and communities to identify and monitor gender based violence risks and mitigation measures throughout the cash and voucher assistance interventions. (Source: *Relief Web*).

[Learning from practice: approaches to capture and apply practice-based knowledge.](#) Palm S, Clowes A. *The Prevention Collaborative. 2019:* This brief provides reflections and practical tips for practitioners and activists (e.g. field staff, volunteer and community workers at the frontline of programme implementation, social change agents and movement builders) on how to collect, document, analyse, share and apply practice-based knowledge to programming to prevent violence against women and their children. (Source: *The Prevention Collaborative*).

[Preventing adverse childhood experiences \(ACEs\): leveraging the best available evidence.](#) Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. 2019: This technical package provides information for sexual and intimate partner violence prevention practitioners to strengthen their connections with adverse childhood experience prevention, build partnerships, and have a broad impact across types of violence across the lifespan. (Source: *Prevent Connect*).

RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES & GRANTS

[Call for Applications:](#) Mali – Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights. Deadline: 21 October 2019.

[Call for Proposals:](#) EU/UN Spotlight Initiative 006-2019. Deadline: 23 October 2019.

[Call for Abstracts:](#) 2020 South African Health Review. Deadline: 31 October 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) Health and Sexual and Reproductive Rights in Burundi. Deadline: 31 October 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) The Lalor Foundation - Advancing Research and Innovation in Reproductive Health. Deadline: 1 November 2019.

[Call for Applications:](#) Postdoctoral Training Opportunity in Medical and Health Sciences. Deadline: 1 December 2019.

[Call for Participation:](#) Global Call for Evidence on Children's Institutions and Human Trafficking Survey. Deadline: Not Specified.



EVENTS

- [Webinar: Dating Matters – Strategies to Promote Healthy Teen Relationships, 6 November 2019, 2-3:30pm EST:](#) This web conference will introduce participants to CDC's comprehensive teen dating violence prevention model, Dating Matters: Strategies to Promote Healthy Teen Relationships. Participants will learn about the latest research evidence showing that Dating Matters is effective in preventing teen dating violence. Register [online](#).
- [16th European Society of Contraception and Reproductive Health \(ESC\) Congress, 13-15 May 2020, Dublin, Ireland:](#) This Congress is an innovative approach to integrating the science and research of reproductive health



VACANCIES

- [Peace and Social Change Fellowship,](#) Remote (with travel to workshops in Nairobi, Kenya), Women, Peace and Security Program, Columbia University – Closing date: 23 October 2019.
- [Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning \(MEL\) Officer – Girls First Fund,](#) Geneva Global, Greater Philadelphia Area - Paoli, PA, USA – Closing date: 31 October 2019.
- [Short-term Consultancy for a Stakeholder Analysis in Liberia, Sierra Leone, And Côte D'ivoire,](#) medica mondiale, Flexible – Closing date: 6 November 2019.

care with the cultural and ethical mores of a broad based service. The Congress will facilitate and encourage debate on a wide range of subjects from Classical contraceptive topics to Gender fluidity.

- [10th Asia Pacific Conference on Reproductive and Sexual Health and Rights, 26-29 May 2020, Siem Reap, Cambodia](#): This conference brings together leaders, experts, and young advocates devoting their careers to reproductive and sexual health and rights; policy makers, officials from civil society organizations and hospitals, and a variety of local stakeholders.

- [Programme Officer Research and Advocacy, Global Alliance Against Traffic in Women](#), Latin America – Closing date: 10 November 2019.
- [Digital Communications Coordinator](#), Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, Geneva, Switzerland – Closing date: 15 November 2019.
- [Consultant: Media and Communication to Advance Sex Workers' Rights](#), The Count Me In! (CMI!) Consortium, Flexible – Closing date: Open until filled.



NEWS

[Education sector yet to learn lessons of #MeToo, critics say](#), The Guardian, 15 October 2019.

[For Some in Kashmir Marriage Equates to Sexual Slavery](#), IPS News, 11 October 2019.

[Insights from research on how to break cycle of violence against women](#), The Conversation, 10 October 2019.

[Artificial Intelligence has a gender bias problem – just ask Siri](#), The Conversation, 22 September 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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