



E-NEWSLETTER

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VAWnet's E-Newsletter provides monthly updates on new resources available online, and is intended for wide distribution. Please feel free to forward this information to colleagues, advocates, community members and others with an interest in issues related to violence against women. Those interested in signing up to receive VAWnet E-Newsletters via email can contact us by phone at (800) 537-2238 or by using our online contact form at <http://www.vawnet.org/AboutVAWnet/Contactus.html>. Our new additions are listed below.

THIS MONTH'S HIGHLIGHTS



Focus on Batterers/Offenders

This E-Newsletter features a variety of new materials exploring behaviors of and services for perpetrators of violence against women. Materials focused on domestic violence include information about causes of battering, behaviors and types of batterers, and the effectiveness and role of batterer intervention programs in the movement to end violence against women. Sexual violence materials include information about adult and adolescent offender behavior and misconceptions, sex offender management, and treatment approaches.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



January is National Stalking Awareness Month

“This January marks the fourth annual observance of National Stalking Awareness Month (NSAM), started in 2004 by the National Center for Victims of Crime. Since its inception, NSAM has become a unifying force for victim service providers across the country to raise awareness about the serious and deadly crime that victimizes more than one million women and nearly 400,000 men in America each year.” Visit: http://www.ncvc.org/src/main.aspx?dbID=DB_StalkingAwarenessMonth2007166



Prevention Connection Web Conference

Exploring On-Line Resources to Support Violence Against Women Prevention Efforts

February 14, 2:00-3:30 pm EST (11:00 am – 12:30 pm PST)

This web conference will demonstrate effective strategies to find on-line resources to prevent violence against women, including specific techniques to use search engines such as Google, how to use searching features on web sites and identifying credible sources. Join others interested in how to find on-line resources and share your ideas for effective searches. Register at: <http://www.PreventConnect.org>

FEATURED ADDITIONS



New Applied Research Document

Treatment of Adult Sex Offenders by Robert Prentky and Barbara Schwartz with contributions from Gail Burns-Smith for VAWnet: The National Online Resource Center on Violence Against Women (December 2006)

This Applied Research paper provides an overview of the current state of treatment of adult male sex offenders, with a focus on the effectiveness of treatment.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=690>



New Funding Alert

Funding Alert Volume 2, Issue 5: January 10, 2007 from the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence & National Sexual Violence Resource Center

Government Grants, Private Grants and Fellowships are included in this issue.

http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=698&category_id=5

NEW MATERIALS: RESEARCH REPORTS

The 2006 Trafficking in Persons Report by the U.S. Department of State (June 2006)

This report highlights the efforts of the international community to combat human trafficking and encourages foreign governments to take action against all forms of human trafficking.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=688>

Intimate Partner Violence in the United States by Shannan Catalano, Ph.D., U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Statistics (December 2006)

Includes statistical trends related to incidence and prevalence of intimate partner violence in the US according to: victim characteristics, offender characteristics, circumstances, injury and treatment, victim assistance, and reporting to the police.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=699>

NEW MATERIALS: DOMESTIC VIOLENCE – BATTERERS

The Batterer as a Parent by Lundy Bancroft National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges (Winter 2002)

Looks at the characteristics of men who batter and identifies ways in which these characteristics also influence their ability to parent appropriately. Also addresses the implications of such parenting for child protective and custody determinations.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=701>

Do Batterers' Programs Work? by Jeffrey L. Edleson for Minnesota Center Against Violence and Abuse (MINCAVA) (1995)

This paper examines the complexities of any attempt to answer the question: Do batterers' programs work? It examines the term "works," looks at the published outcome data on BIP evaluation, and suggests policy and program directions for the future.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=706>

Effective Interventions in Domestic Violence Cases: Context Is Everything by Loretta Frederick & Julie Tilley for the Battered Women's Justice Project (May 2001)

Promotes an understanding of the context in which each act of domestic violence occurs towards ensuring that criminal justice system interventions are effective in holding offenders accountable and protecting victims from harm.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=702>

Re-Examining Battering: Are All Acts of Violence Against Intimate Partners the Same? by Ellen Pence & Shamita Das Dasgupta for Praxis International, Inc. (June 2006)

Differentiates among 5 categories of domestic violence by analyzing the dynamics, nuance and components of IPV, with the idea that this critical comprehension is vital in creating intervention and prevention models that befit the behavior.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=700>

Safe Return: Working Toward Preventing Domestic Violence When Men Return From Prison by Mike Bobbitt, Robin Campbell, and Gloria L. Tate for the Vera Institute of Justice (November 2006)
Summarizes results of roundtable discussions examining ways to address IPV when men return from prison. Addresses institutional resistance, ways to involve intimate partners in reentry planning, and the value of cultural competence.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=705>

Understanding Men Who Batter by the Minnesota Coalition for Battered Women

This fact sheet describes some behaviors that are common among men who batter their partners, provides a brief explanation of why men batter, an overview of available interventions, and a warning regarding court-mandated counseling.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=703>

Understanding Men's Versus Women's Intimate Partner Violence by Kerrie James on XY Online (November 2006)

Addresses the relative incidence of male versus female IPV, the relative severity of violence committed by men and women, and the meaning of violent acts, including intentions of each gender and the relationship context in which violence occurs.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=704>

Where Do the Batterer Intervention Programs Fit In? by Paul Kivel (1996)

Describes answers to the questions "What do we do with the men?" and "Will batterer programs stop male violence?" Includes recommendations for minimum standards for batterer programs, and emphasizes the importance of a coordinated community response.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=707>

NEW MATERIALS: SEXUAL VIOLENCE – OFFENDERS

Adolescent Sex Offenders and Children with Sexual Behavior Problems from the National Center on Sexual Behavior of Youth (October 2003)

This bibliography lists selected readings on adolescent sex offenders and children with sexual behavior problems. It includes research, guidelines, and clinical articles as well as websites and ordering information for selected articles.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=697>

Adolescent Sex Offenders: Common Misconceptions vs. Current Evidence by Barbara L. Bonner, PhD, Mark Chaffin, PhD, & Keri Pierce, MSW for the National Center on Sexual Behavior of Youth (July 2003)

This fact sheet offers information on myths and facts about adolescent sex offenders.

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Children with Sexual Behavior Problems: Common Misconceptions vs. Current Findings by Jane F. Silovsky, PhD & Barbara L. Bonner, PhD for the National Center on Sexual Behavior of Youth (July 2003)

This fact sheet provides information about children who demonstrate developmentally inappropriate or aggressive sexual behavior. It addresses some common myths about this population and provides findings from research on the issue.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=694>

Managing Sex Offenders: Citizens Supporting Law Enforcement by the Bureau of Justice Assistance
This document explores current legislation related to tracking and monitoring sex offenders, identifies the challenges faced by law enforcement, and examines the role that citizens play in assisting law enforcement in their efforts.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=686>

Myths and Facts About Sex Offenders by the Center for Sex Offender Management (August 2000)
This document contains important information on common assumptions, both true and false, about sex offenders and their victims.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=692>

Sex Offender Registries as a Tool for Public Safety: Views from Registered Offenders by Richard Tewksbury for the Western Criminology Review (2006)
This research report explores the use and effectiveness of sex offender registries. Data for this research was collected from a sample of registered sex offenders.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=691>

Understanding Treatment for Adults and Juveniles Who Have Committed Sex Offenses by the Center for Sex Offender Management (November 2006)
The purpose of this brief is to provide a broad overview of current research, professional literature, and practice trends relative to treatment for sexually abusive individuals.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=685>

What Research Shows About Adolescent Sex Offenders by Mark Chaffin, PhD; Barbara L. Bonner, PhD; Keri Pierce, MPH,MSW for National Center on Sexual Behavior of Youth (July 2003)
This fact sheet contains information about the available research on adolescent sex offenders and also addresses issues related to community safety and supervision.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=695>

What Research Shows About Female Adolescent Sex Offenders by Susan Schmidt, PhD & Keri Pierce, MSW for the National Center on Sexual Behavior of Youth (January 2004)
This fact sheet offers information about female adolescent sex offenders based on the limited research that is available. The information provided includes characteristics of this population as well as assessment and treatment issues.

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