



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

Introducing the new Human Trafficking Special Collection

VAWnet has added a new **Special Collection on Human Trafficking**, which aims to illuminate different forms of, and perspectives on, human trafficking and to provide relevant resources to help guide more informed and critical advocacy, research, and thought. It includes questions to guide critical thinking, a list of organizations and initiatives, fact sheets, legal and human rights instruments, policy and practice guides and toolkits, and relevant articles, papers, and reports.

Access this Special Collection through either "Domestic Violence Resources" or "Sexual Violence Resources" in the new "International" area, or directly at:

http://new.vawnet.org/category/index_pages.php?category_id=683

* See the Special Announcement at: <http://www.vawnet.org/ENewsletters/TraffickingAnnouncement.pdf>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Quick Health Data Online from womenshealth.gov

Quick Health Data Online offers comprehensive US data, for both women and men regarding a variety of infectious and chronic diseases, mental health, reproductive health, maternal health, violence and abuse, illness prevention, mortality and access to care indicators. National, regional, state and county data are available, and data can be stratified by gender, race/ethnicity, and age concurrently. Access is free, and users can make their own tables, graphs, and maps out of any data in the database. Age-adjusted rates and 3-year averages are included for many of the health status indicators. It includes newly updated data for 2001, 2002 and, for some indicators, 2003 and 2004.

<http://www.womenshealth.gov/quickhealthdata/>

Accessing Safety Initiative

The Accessing Safety Initiative, established in 2005 by the Vera Institute of Justice and the U.S. Department of Justice, Office on Violence Against Women, provides technical assistance and training to help organizations and communities meet the needs of women with disabilities and Deaf women who have experienced domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. Access their newly launched website at: <http://www.accessingsafety.org/>

Prevention Connection Wiki Project

Contribute to the PreventConnect Wiki to read about state-of-the-art primary prevention of violence against women. Prevention Connection Wiki is a guide to explore important issues in developing and sustaining comprehensive primary prevention efforts.

<http://www.preventconnect.org/display/displaySection.cfm?sectionID=241>

Upcoming Prevention Connection Web Conferences

- **On the Ground: Local Violence Against Women Primary Prevention Programs in Action** - July 25, 2007, 2pm Eastern Time (11am Pacific Time)
- **The Workplace: a dialogue on Organizational Practices to Prevent Violence Against Women** - August 15, 2007 2pm Eastern Time (11am Pacific Time)

Register at: <http://www.preventconnect.org/>

NEW MATERIALS

Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act: A Sketch by Charles Doyle, Congressional Research Service (2007)

This resource provides a brief summary of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act, P.L. 109-248 (H.R. 4472), which reformulates the federal standards for sex offender registration in state, territorial, and tribal sexual offender registries.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=965>

Advancing the Nation's Health: A Guide to Public Health Research Needs, 2006 – 2015 by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (December 2006) Outlines priority public health research areas to be addressed by CDC and partners in response to needs and events. Identifies injury and violence prevention interventions, risk and protective factors, and connections between multiple forms of violence.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1035>

The Cost of Violence in the United States by the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2007)

The items on this fact sheet provide evidence of the large health and economic burden of violence in the US as reported in the journal article, *Medical Costs and Productivity Losses Due to Interpersonal Violence and Self-Directed Violence*.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1040>

Reaching Migrant Farm Workers: A Technical Assistance Bulletin for Sexual Assault Advocates and Counselors by the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape (2007)

This bulletin provides information about sexual violence against migrant farm workers in the US, risk factors and barriers, legal rights, and highlights the outreach and advocacy efforts of the Latino Program of Survivors, Inc. in Adams County, PA.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=966>

Resources for Establishing a Student Organization by Keith E. Edwards for Men Ending Rape

This brief document outlines how to develop a student organization focused on men's role in ending rape and changing the rape culture on campus. Includes structure, timeline, publicity, collaborations, and programs.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1039>

Study Reveals Unique Issues Faced by Deaf Victims of Sexual Assault by Lauren R. Taylor with Nicole Gaskin-Laniyan for the National Institute of Justice (June 2007)

Describes findings of a study describing some of the unique barriers faced by deaf victims seeking help and offering recommendations for improving the relationship between law enforcement and the deaf community.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1038>

Measuring Violence-Related Attitudes, Behaviors, and Influences Among Youths: A Compendium of Assessment Tools - Second Edition by Linda L. Dahlberg, Susan B. Toal, Monica H. Swahn, and Christopher B. Behrens for the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (2005)

This compendium provides researchers and prevention specialists with a set of tools to assess violence-related beliefs, behaviors, and influences, as well as to evaluate programs to prevent youth violence. More than 170 measures are included.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1036>

Supervised Visitation: Information for Mothers Who Have Been Abused by Jill Davies for the Family Violence Prevention Fund (2007)

Developed for mothers who have experienced abuse and whose children are in supervised visitation programs - provides basic information about how the programs work and how mothers can prepare themselves and their children for the experience.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1041>

Supervisor, Beware: Ethical Dangers in Supervision by Claudia J. Dewane, LCSW, DEd, BCD Social Work Today, Vol. 7 No. 4 P. 34 (July/August 2007)

This article describes unique challenges to maintaining professional ethics in the supervisory process through a review of several social work supervision issues that may bring rise to uncomfortable, inappropriate, or potentially litigious situations.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1037>