



E NEWSLETTER

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THIS MONTH'S HIGHLIGHTS

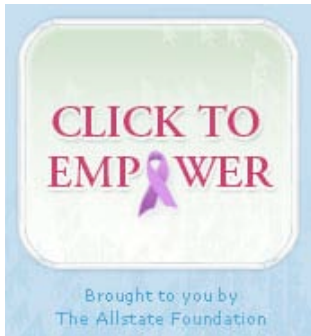


Announcing a Special Collection on Working with Children Towards a Healthy and Non-Violent Future

This **Special Collection** provides a unique perspective on working with children (younger than 13 years of age), focusing on theories and strategies for raising respectful, non-violent people. Resources included here discuss child development and how to utilize this knowledge when implementing primary prevention strategies that foster healthy attitudes and behaviors. Acknowledging the reality that many of the children with whom we work may already have been victimized or exposed to violence, we include tools to support secondary prevention efforts that teach skills to enhance safety. Central to this collection is the belief that advocates working to end violence against women are committed to the safety and well being of all children, and wish to create social change by investing in the potential that children offer – the promise of a new generation of non-violent, respectful young people and adults who resist traditional social norms that perpetuate violence against women.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



Click to Empower

For every click received, the **Allstate Foundation** will donate \$1 to their **Education and Job Training Assistance Fund** with a total donation of up to \$300,000. Established to channel small grants to adult domestic violence survivors to help them achieve their educational and professional goals, this fund enables domestic violence survivors to pursue long-term financial security by providing much needed assistance to address barriers often not covered within traditional financial aid resources. It covers education, training and job-related expenses.

<http://www.clicktoempower.com/>



New Wiki from the OECD Development Centre

Wikigender is your online platform to find and exchange information related to gender equality. The website is work in progress and benefits from your active participation. Users are invited to comment on or improve existing articles, and to create or upload new documents. By providing a platform to share experiences and to learn from each other's knowledge, Wikigender will contribute to a better understanding on the situation of men and women around the world.

<http://www.wikigender.org/>

FEATURED ADDITIONS



New Applied Research Papers

Substance Abuse and Intimate Partner Violence by Larry Bennett and Patricia Bland (May 2008)

This document provides an overview of the research on the relationship between substance abuse and woman battering, covering the victim's use of substances and the specific needs for domestic violence services for those with substance abuse problems.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1324>

Incorporating Evaluation into Media Campaign Design by Sharyn J. Potter with contributions from Brad Perry (April 2008)

This Applied Research paper provides information on core concepts relevant to media campaign evaluation strategies and showcases several sexual violence prevention campaigns that have completed evaluations at various stages of the implementation process.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1317>

A Prevention Primer for Domestic Violence: Terminology, Tools, and the Public Health Approach by Linda Chamberlain (March 2008)

This document provides an introduction to basic prevention concepts by exploring the public health approach, two classification systems, a planning tool used to develop more comprehensive initiatives, and the importance of understanding terminology.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1313>



New Publication from NSVRC

Sexual Violence and HIV: A Technical Assistance Guide for Victim Service Providers by the National Sexual Violence Resource Center (2008)

This guide provides information on the prevalence of sexual violence and HIV, types of available HIV testing and treatment, benefits and risks of such testing and treatment.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1311>



New Research Series from the National Criminal Justice Reference Service

Practical Implications of Current Domestic Violence Research, Part I: Law Enforcement by Andrew R. Klein for the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (April 2008)

The first of a 3-part study focuses on what the research tells law enforcement officers about the perpetrators and victims of domestic violence, the outcomes of current law enforcement responses, and what the findings mean for daily law enforcement tasks.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1443>

Practical Implications of Current Domestic Violence Research, Part II: Prosecution by Andrew R. Klein for the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (April 2008)

This second part of a 3-part study of the practical implications of domestic violence research for criminal justice personnel focuses on prosecutors' policies and procedures.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1444>

Practical Implications of Current Domestic Violence Research, Part III: Judges by Andrew R. Klein for the National Criminal Justice Reference Service (April 2008)

This third part of a three-part study of the practical implications of domestic violence research for criminal justice personnel focuses on judges' policies and practices.

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Updated Report on Sexual Violence Research from CALCASA

Report on Research on Rape and Violence by the California Coalition Against Sexual Assault (April 2008)

This report is a compendium of research on issues related to rape, sexual assault and violence.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1319>



Funding Alert

Volume 3, Issue 13: June 2, 2008 by the National Resource Center on Domestic Violence & National Sexual Violence Resource Center

Government grants are included in this issue.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1434>

NEW MATERIALS

Assault Advocacy Guide: An Advocate's Guide to Sexual Assault Policy by the National Alliance to End Sexual Violence (NAESV) (2008)

This manual contains a variety of information around understanding the federal legislative process, including action tools such as tips for meeting with your legislator.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1310>

Beyond the Criminal Justice System: Using the Law to Help Restore the Lives of Sexual Assault Victims by the Victim Rights Law Center, Inc. (October 2007)

This manual is dedicated to answering a simple question: What do you do when a sexual assault victim walks through your door and asks for legal help?

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1321>

The DELTA Program: At A Glance by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (2008)

Describes the authorizing legislation for the Domestic Violence Prevention Enhancements and Leadership Through Alliances (DELTA) Program, provides examples of prevention work from various states, and serves to raise awareness, interest, and support.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1442>

Effects of Sexual Victimization by the Minnesota Department of Health

This brief article lists some of the effects/symptoms that victims of sexual violence may experience.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1393>

Final Report: Focus Group on Public Law 280 and the Sexual Assault of Native Women by The Tribal Law and Policy Institute (TLPI) (December 2007)

The Office on Violence Against Women (OVW) hosted a focus group in Green Bay, Wisconsin to discuss challenges to, and opportunities for, collaboration between states and tribes in Public Law 280 jurisdictions to address sexual assault in Indian country.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1323>

Five Years On: No Justice for Sexual Violence in Darfur by Human Rights Watch (April 2008)

Drawing on various data sources, this report covers: Sexual Violence in Darfur in 2007-08; Government's Response; International Response; and Sudan's Obligation to Prevent, Investigate and Punish Sexual Violence.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1318>

'I am at the lowest end of all' : Rural women living with HIV face human rights abuses in South Africa by Amnesty International (AI) (March 2008)

This report provides an analysis of patterns of human rights abuses against women who are exposed to the risk of or are already living with HIV in rural contexts of widespread poverty and unemployment.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1315>

Manual for estimating the economic costs of injuries due to interpersonal and self-directed violence by the World Health Organization, Department of Health and Human Services, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) (2008)

The manual provides a standardized set of recommendations to estimate the direct and indirect economic costs of interpersonal and self-directed violence.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1439>

Routinely Targeted: Attacks on Civilians in Somalia by Amnesty International (May 2008)

The report documents sexual violence and killing of Somali civilians by Ethiopian troops, militias, and Transitional Federal Government (TFG) forces.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1440>

Statistics Surrounding Child Sexual Abuse by Darkness to Light

This one-pager presents statistics surrounding the issue of child sexual abuse.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1394>

Understanding and Protecting Your Children from Child Molesters and Predators by Cory Jewell Jensen and Steve Jensen for Oprah.com (2002)

This packet provides information about child molesters and some of the things you, your family and community can do to help keep children safe.

<http://new.vawnet.org/category/Documents.php?docid=1378>

The Uses And Impacts Of Medico-Legal Evidence In Sexual Assault Cases: A Global Review by The Sexual Violence Research Initiative (2007)

The review outlines the historical and contemporary medico-legal responses to sexual assault victims, broadly describing the professionals, protocols and procedures involved in the collection and processing of medico-legal evidence.

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