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FROM GLOBAL TO LOCAL: LEARNING FROM

INTERNATIONAL PREVENTION PROGRAMS TO INFORM

SEXUAL AND INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE

PREVENTION IN THE U.S.

Wednesday December 8, 2021 11 AM-12:30 PM PT/2 PM-3:30 PM ET







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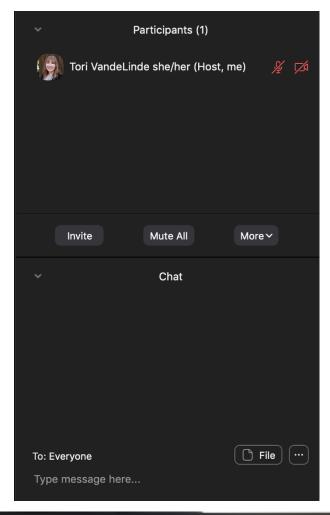
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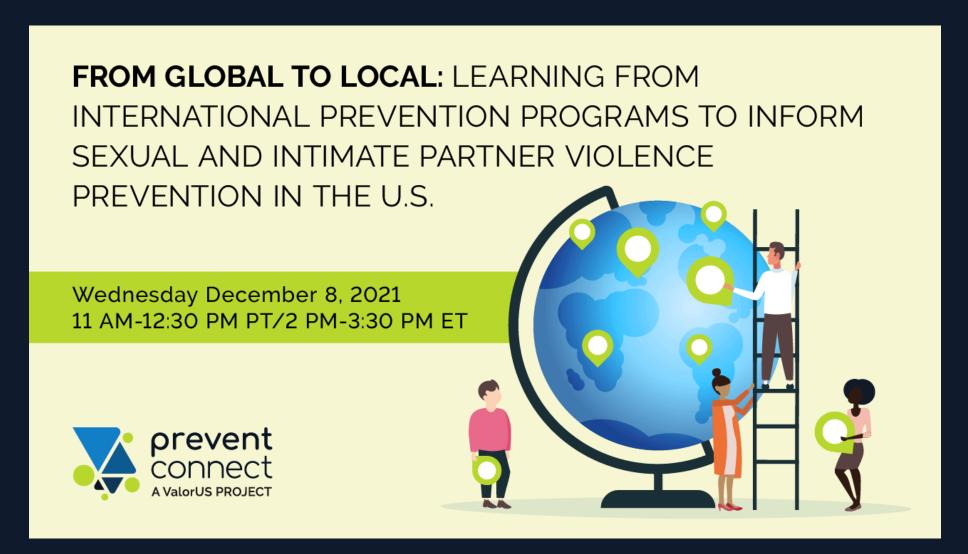




PreventConnect

- Domestic violence/intimate partner violence
- Sexual violence
- Violence across the lifespan, including child sexual abuse
- Prevent before violence starts
- Connect to other forms of violence and oppression
- Connect to other prevention practitioners





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Objectives

- Describe prevention strategies being implemented on an international level
- Identify how global prevention perspectives can inform U.S.-based prevention
- Identify how global health approaches can expand community-level prevention strategies in the U.S.



16 Days of Activism Against Gender-based Violence

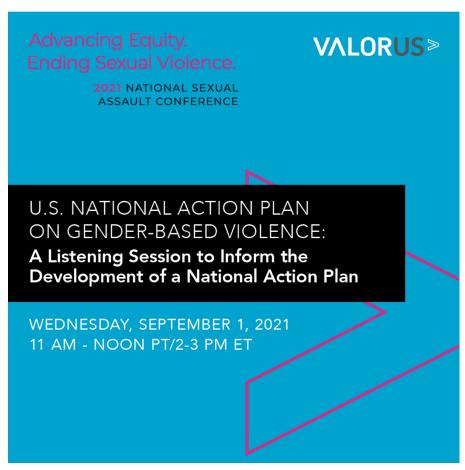








Listening Sessions - U.S. National Action Plan on Gender-Based Violence



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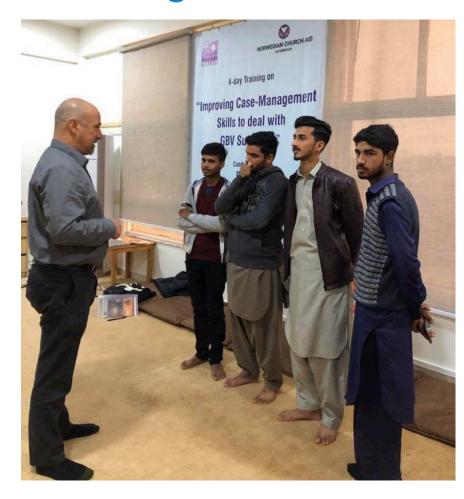
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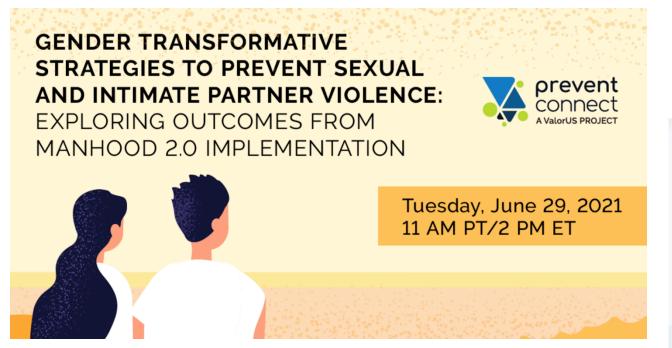




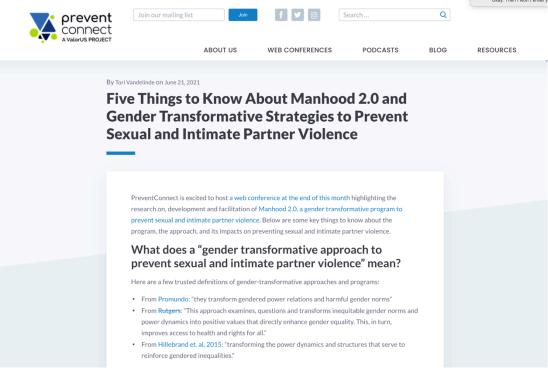
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Past conferences/resources



http://www.preventconnect.org/2021/06/gender-transformative-strategies-to-prevent-sexual-and-intimate-partner-violence-exploring-outcomes-from-manhood-2-0-implementation/



http://www.preventconnect.org/2021/06/five-things-to-know-about-manhood-2-0-and-gender-transformative-strategies-to-prevent-sexual-and-intimate-partner-violence/



What prevention strategies and approaches are you currently implementing?

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Meet Our Guests



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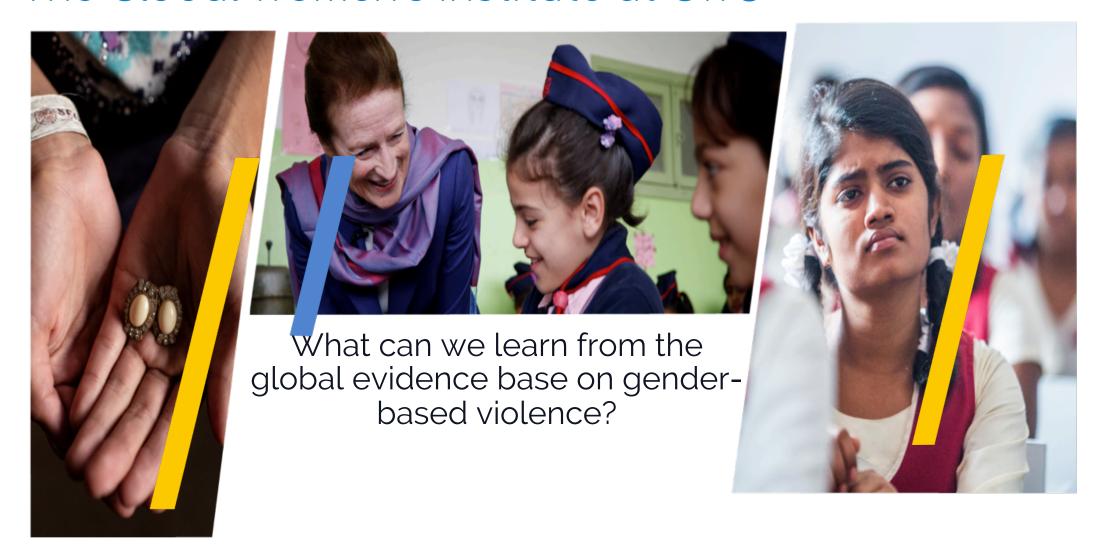


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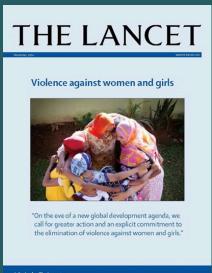


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What Works to End Violence against Women and Girls?



A Series by The Lancet

THE LANCET





In this review of reviews:

- Most evidence from high-income countries
- Response vs. prevention
- Emphasis on health sector interventions
- Majority not effective or inconclusive
 - Methods
 - Sample size
- Minimal in terms of length and intensity
- Focus on IPV



In low and middle income countries:

- Greater focus on prevention
- More community-based interventions
- More forms of VAWG child marriage, FGM, sexual assaut
- Address equality and social norms
- Engagement of men and boys





What works to prevent and respond to violence

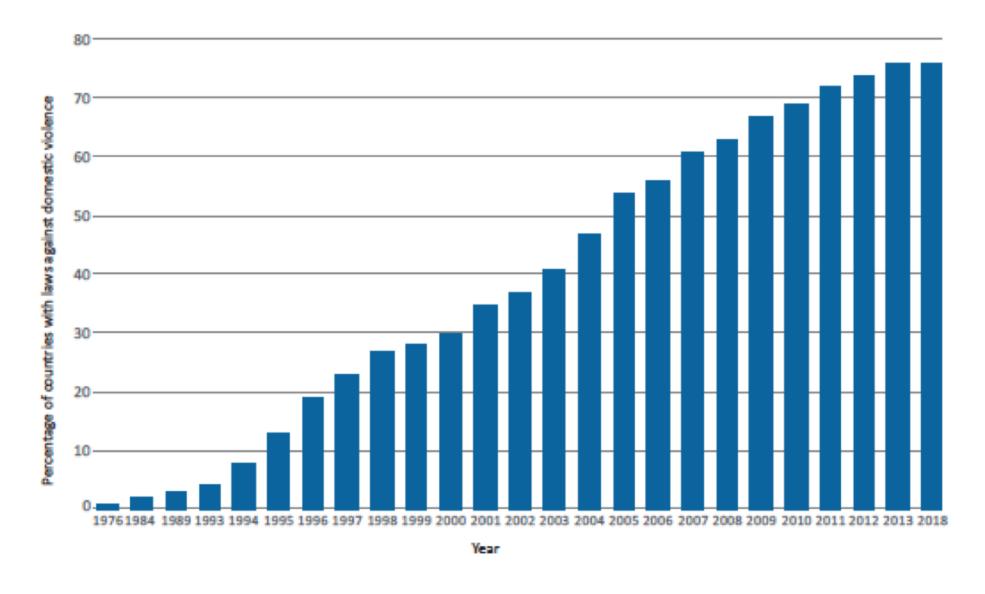
Violence can be prevented!

- Include women AND men
- Engage entire community
- Combine multiple approaches as part of a single intervention (group training, livelihoods, social communication)
- Intensity and duration are important (**six months** or longer)
- Address social norms regarding acceptability of violence





Percentage of countries with laws against domestic violence by year, 1976-2018





Changing laws is not enough!





An integrated approach to ending violence against women

Access to Justice Support Services for Survivors

Violence Prevention

Strengthening the enabling environment for addressing violence against women



Laws don't pass in isolation



70 countries

From 1975 to 2005

The main factor predicting whether a country had aws and policies on domestic violence was the existence of autonomous women's movement

-Htun and Weldon, 2005



How can we improve the current evidence on



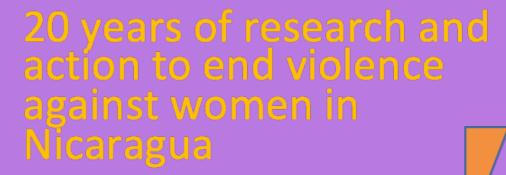
- Focus on primary prevention
- More evidence, particularly from the Global South, on intervention cost, sustainability, and scalability
- VAWG in diverse populations (Indigenous, LGBTQ, migrants, disabled) and underdocumented forms of violence (femicide, trafficking, conflict)
- Standardized data and indicators to measure VAWG and women's empowerment
- Integration of VAWG into existing development platforms and sectors (health, education, etc.)



Large global investments are spurring innovation in recent years

- What Works to Prevent Violence against Women and Girls (UK government)
- Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (Australian Government)
 - Asian Pacific





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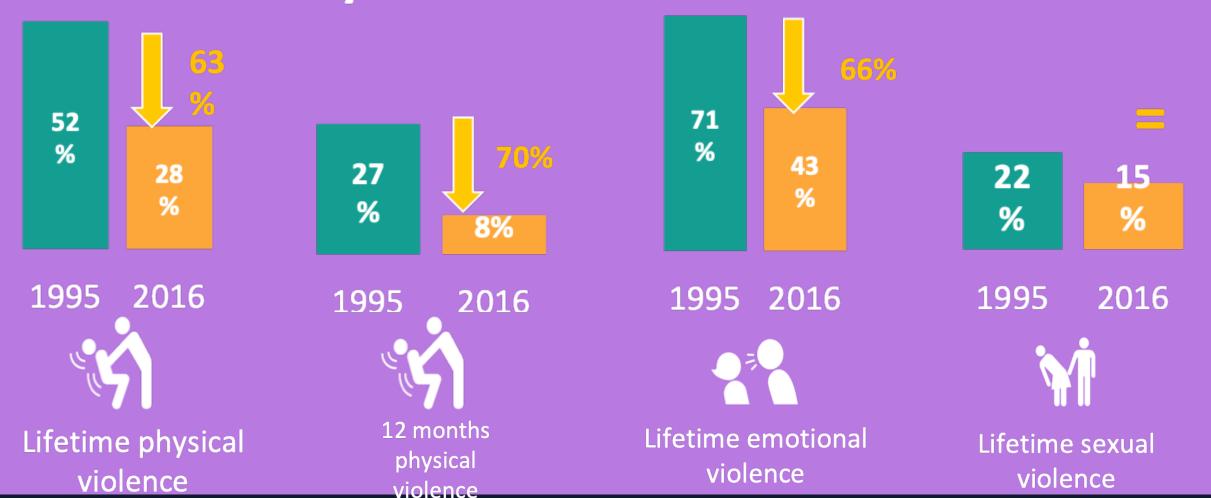


The Global Women's Institute

THE GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY



Physical IPV was reduced by 70% in 20 years Sexual IPV stayed the same





Why did violence decrease in Leon?

Judicial – Law 779 on violence against women and girls



Change in police attitudes

1995

"When I went to the police they told me that they have nothing to do with family fights"

2016

"I knocked on so many doors: a woman police commissioner helped me a lot. I saw a psychologist at the police station and they helped my children as well."

Change in women's help seeking behavior

19952016

Awareness campaigns and media





What similarities and differences are you noticing between the work happening in the U.S. and work happening globally?

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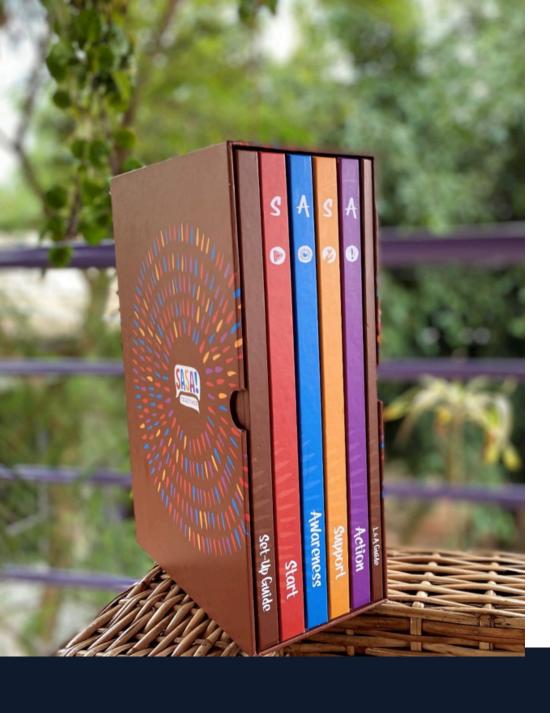
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Mobilizing Communities to Prevent Violence against Women









SASA! Together is a community mobilization approach for preventing violence against women



SASA! in Action

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DRjbnUmL4KY





The Journey

2012-2016

Rapid global uptake, practice-based learning accelerates 2020

SASA! Together published



2018-2020

Experience and inspiration inform SASA! Together

2020 - present SASA! Together used in over 25 countries

2012

SASA! RCT demonstrates community level change



SASA! Together seeks to change norms at a population level

- Existing evidence assesses the impact of prevention programming among the direct 'participants'
- First trial in sub-Saharan Africa of a VAW prevention intervention to assess and achieve impact at community level





Key Results of SASA! Study

Pair matched cluster randomized controlled trial (Abramsky et al 2014)

Risk of physical partner violence against women was 52% lower in SASA! communities

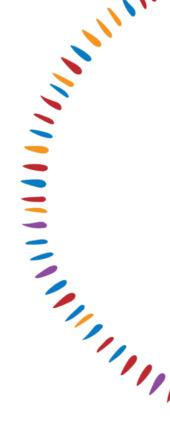
28% more women and men in *SASA!* communities believe it is acceptable for a woman to refuse sex

76% of women and men in *SASA!* communities believe physical partner violence is not okay compared to 26% in control communities

27% of men in *SASA!* communities report concurrent sexual partners compared to 45% in control communities

Main trial paper: https://bmcmedicine.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12916-014-0122-5

Popular report: https://raisingvoices.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/01/SASApopularReport.FINAL .jan2016.pdf





SASA! Together Theory of Change

Phased-in, benefits-based activism using a gender-power analysis across all circles of influence





Violence against women is never accepted and women can live safe, fulfilling & dignified lives.





Essential Elements of SASA! Together





1. Benefits-Based Activism







2. A Gender-Power Analysis



Start

Fostering the **power within** ourselves to address violence against women.

Awareness

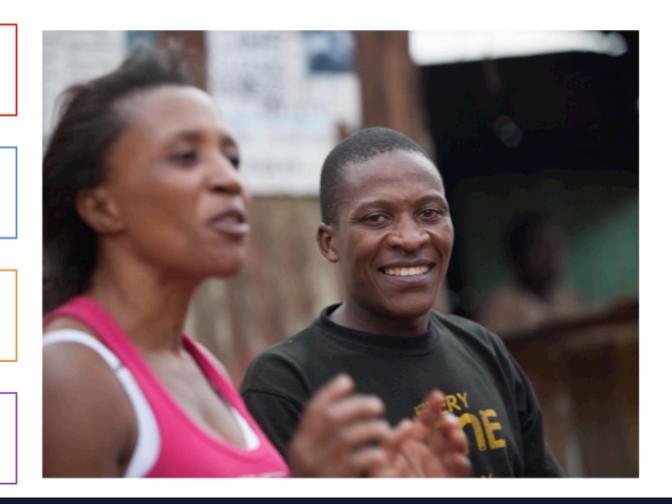
Understanding men's use of **power over** women and the community's silence about it.

Support

Joining our **power with** others to create an environment that accepts new ways of thinking and behaving.

Action

Using our **power to** create and sustain positive change that prevents violence against women.





3. Four Phases of Change





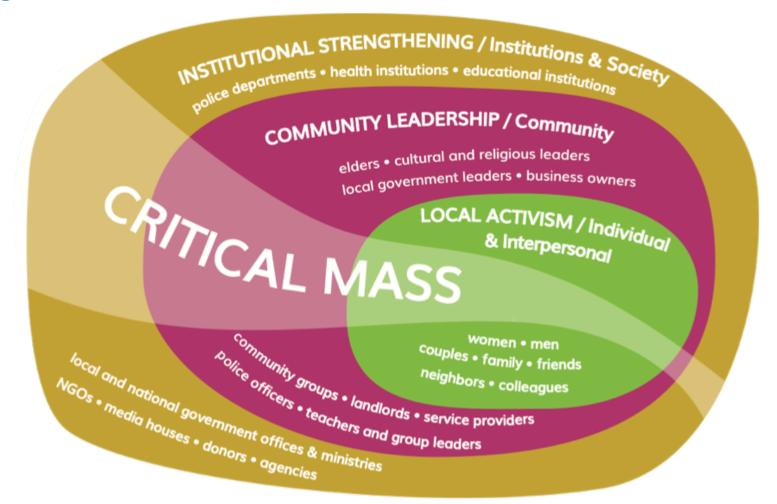








4. Holistic Community Engagement with Circles of Influence





Three strategies mobilize the entire community

Local Activism

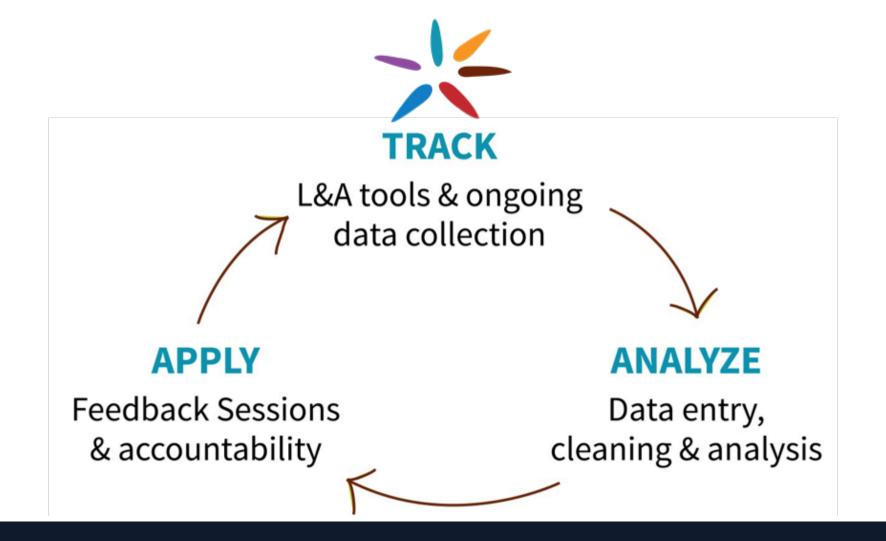
Community Leadership

Institutional Strengthening





Learning and Assessment (L & A) Process





L&A Framework

For example, in the Start Phase:

Aim Foster personal reflection about power and nurture power within

Outcomes

Know

The basics about power

Feel

That we have power within ourselves

Do

Reflect on power in our own lives, communities and institutions

Institutional Change

Enhance operational culture

(values, employee morale and power dynamics)

SASA! Together Outcomes: file:///C:/Users/lorim/Downloads/a. Aims_and_Outcomes. SASA_Together.pdf

Full Learning & Assessment Guide: https://raisingvoices.org/sasatogether/learning-assessment-guide/



Learning

- Social norms change programming at the community level works
- Meaningful community impact can happen within project timeframes
- Intensity of programming important through a variety of communication channels
- Move beyond raising awareness/providing information get personal
- In long-term change processes being systematic and structured supports positive change
- Requires strong organizational capacity to provide sustained support to community-led activities



Thank you!

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What are your ideas for becoming more engaged in an international community to prevent sexual and intimate partner violence?

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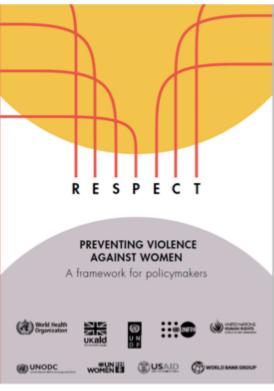
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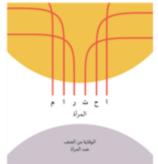
RESPECT Framework























Intimate partner violence is most common & it starts early New VAW estimates



Objectives of RESPECT



- Developed by WHO, UN Women and endorsed by 12 other agencies including:
 - UNODC, UNFPA, OHCHR, UNDP, UNAIDS
 - WB, USA, Netherlands, UK, Australia, Sweden, Canada
- Launched in 2019
- Aimed primarily at policy makers





Implement strategies





Apply the guiding principles for effective

GENERATE AND DISSEMINATE KNOWLEDGE

programming

Put women's safety first and do no harm

Promote gender equality and women's human rights

Leave no one behind

Develop a theory of change

Promote evidence informed programming

Use participatory approaches

Promote coordination

Implement combined interventions

Address the prevention continuum

Take a life-course approach



PROGRAMME DESIGN

Adapt and scal up what works





Adapt and scal up what works (cont.)



Build on on-going initiatives, integrating prevention activities into existing health, development and other existing sectoral programmes. **Design with "scale" in mind**, investing for the long-term, keeping costs and sustainability in mind. Start small, document and evaluate the adaptation and scale-up in order to innovate and strengthen evidence-informed programming. Support a community of practice among programme developers and implementers to facilitate learning and knowledge sharing.



Strengthen enabling environment for prevention



Build political commitment from leaders and policy makers to speak out, condemning violence against women.



Put in place and facilitate enforcement of **policies** and laws that address violence against women and that promote gender equality.



Invest in, build on the work of, resource, and support women's organizations.



Allocate resources to programmes, research, and to strengthen institutions and capacities of the health, education, law enforcement, and social services sectors to address violence against women.



The way forward: A call to action

Commit to change

Start today

Support evidence-based approaches

Join others



https://youtu.be/kYu3mFjuhTM



What principle(s) are you most interested in implementing in your prevention work?

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