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Newsletter



Kia ora and welcome to the latest newsletter from the NZFVC, a monthly update of resources, news and events for those working to prevent family violence in Aotearoa New Zealand.

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Tēnā tātou katoa

The Clearinghouse has moved, but we are still at Tāmaki Campus. There is more information on how to find us in the Tip of the Month below (phone, email and website have not changed).

The Government has announced legislative and other changes on family and sexual violence over the last few weeks. See highlights below and more information in the Resources and News sections.

News, views and happenings in brief

- [Government announces proposed changes under family violence legislative review](#)
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Consultations open:

- [ACC is hosting sessions on the prevention of sexual violence](#) around the country in October - November.

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Reminder: Sign up for [News and Events Alerts](#) to receive email notifications when we post news or events on our website.

The Clearinghouse is on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#) - liking our page or following also means you get the latest news and events as we post them.

Tip of the month

NZFVC has a new home

The Clearinghouse is now based in the School of Population Health building (730) at the University of Auckland's Tāmaki Campus.

Thank you for reading this newsletter

Your feedback is welcome



Anne Tolley, September 2016.

Summary: These papers set out the package of changes required to reform the Children, Young Persons and Their Families Act 1989, and set the framework for the new Ministry for Vulnerable Children, Oranga Tamariki.

[Paper one](#). Overview

[Paper two](#). Foundations for a child-centred system

[Paper three](#). Intensive intervention and care support

Ministry of Social Development. (2016).

Community investment strategy: Update 2016. Wellington, New Zealand: Ministry of Social Development.

Summary: This document provides an update of what the Government has achieved in the first year of a three-year process to implement the Community Investment Strategy. It also sets out the direction for the next twelve months... [Read more](#)

Moyle, P. (2013)

From family group conferencing to Whānau Ora: Māori social workers talk about their experiences. A thesis

presented in partial fulfilment of the requirements for the degree of Master of Social Work in Social Work, Massey University, Manawatu.

Summary: This thesis explored the challenges faced by seven very experienced Māori social workers within the care and protection system. The views of these practitioners on what has improved for Māori whānau around recent changes to FGC and newer initiatives such as Whānau Ora were also examined...

[Read more](#)

Pasefika Proud. (2016).

Pacific peoples in New Zealand. Wellington, New Zealand: Pasefika Proud, Ministry of Social Development.

Summary: Samoan, Cook Islands Māori, Tongan, Niuean, Fijian, Tokelauan, Tuvaluan and Kiribati comprise the eight main Pacific ethnic groups in New Zealand. For the purposes of comparing high level ethnic groups in New Zealand they are referred to collectively as 'Pacific peoples'. This publication provides a snapshot of data, presented with infographics, of the socio-demographic characteristics of Pacific peoples in New Zealand, including a focus on family violence and experiences with Child, Youth and Family... [Read more](#)

Save the Children NZ. (2016).

Our voices. Our rights. Wellington, New Zealand: Save the Children New Zealand & Unicef New Zealand.

Summary: Save the Children and UNICEF's youth ambassadors were asked to write a report about the lives and wishes of children in Aotearoa New Zealand. They asked 1198 children about their thoughts, experiences and opinions. Their report, Our Voices Our Rights provides a window into childhood within New Zealand. Our Voices Our Rights provides recommendations to the government... [Read more](#)

Toy-Cronin, B.A. (2015).

Keeping up appearances: Accessing New Zealand's civil courts as a litigant in person. A thesis submitted for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, University of Otago.

Summary: Using several qualitative methods including interviews, document review and participant observation, this thesis asks, first, why are litigants going to New Zealand's civil courts without a lawyer? Second, what is their experience of litigating in person? Third, how do the inhabitants of the court system - the judges, lawyers and court staff - perceive litigants in person and respond to them?... [Read more](#)

Walker, S., & Eketone, A. (2013).

Biculturalism as an approach to social work. In: H. K. Ling, J. Martin & R. Ow (Eds.), *Cross-cultural social work: Local and global*. (pp. 67-85). Melbourne, Vic.: Palgrave Macmillan.
Summary: As a profession, social work in New Zealand has shown leadership among the 'people professions' by requiring its practitioners to be competent in working across cultures: in particular with Māori, the nation's indigenous people. The high number of Māori who come to the notice of authorities has meant that aspiring social workers are required to have a base knowledge of Māori cultural constructs (tikanga), have undertaken an introductory course into the Māori language (reo), and be aware of how to uphold and apply the Treaty of Waitangi. This chapter looks at how and why social work students are trained to work biculturally in the first instance and from there develop a multicultural approach... [Read more](#)

Yeung, P., Mooney, H., & English, A. (2016).

Non-Government Organisations (NGO) Study Awards : exploring the impact on social work students and social service organisations. Final report. Palmerston North, New Zealand: School of Social Work, Massey University,

Summary: This research sought to capture the extent to which the NGO Social Work Study Awards helped students to be successful in their study... [Read more](#)

Journal articles

Contact your local library for full text access to articles which are not freely available online.

Keddell, E. (2016).

Substantiation decision-making and risk prediction in child protection.

Policy Quarterly, 12(2): 46-56.

Summary: In the last few years, predictive risk modelling has been suggested for use in the child welfare environment as an efficient means of targeting preventive resources and improving practitioner decision-making. First raised in the green paper on vulnerable children, then translated into the white paper on vulnerable children and the Children's Action Plan, and now part of the Child, Youth and Family review remit, this particular tool has provoked a barrage of opinions and wide-ranging analyses,.. [Read more](#)

Walker, S. (2012).

The teaching of Māori social work practice and theory to a predominantly Pākehā audience.

Aotearoa New Zealand Social Work, 24(3&4): 65-74 (Open access).

Summary: This article will explore the practices of teaching social work students in Aotearoa New Zealand to equip them for bicultural practice. This includes te reo Māori (the Māori language) and tikanga (culture) papers as well as specific teaching on the Treaty of Waitangi provisions. It will discuss some of the results, which suggest students know about Treaty provisions but are less able to translate this knowledge into practices, which are bicultural. It then suggests some strategies for moving this teaching forward so that students start to feel accustomed to and confident in practices which are suited to a bicultural setting... [Read more](#)

International

Thiara, R., & Harrison, C. (2016).

Safe not sorry: Supporting the campaign for safer child contact. Bristol, England: Women's Aid.

Summary: Existing research provides strong evidence that in

making arrangements for child contact when there is a history of domestic violence, the current workings of the Family Justice System support a pro-contact approach that neglects the safety needs of children and women, and the impact on them of previous or continuing domestic violence. This frequently exposes children and women to further violence, causes them significant harm, and prevents their recovery. For a substantial number of children, the privileging of men's rights to contact over children's welfare negatively affects every aspect of their wellbeing and development. The individual and societal costs are unacceptable. This review of research focuses on the safety and wellbeing of children when having contact, whilst also acknowledging that this is related to the safety of women... [Read more](#)

Journal articles

Fileborn, B. (2016).

Sexual assault and older women: A critical review of the literature.

Trauma, Violence & Abuse, Advance online publication, 31 March 2016.

Summary: This article provides a critical review of current literature on the sexual assault of older women - including an exploration of the specific features and emotional and physical impacts of older women's experiences - and highlights current gaps and future directions for research, practice, and theory. A review of the literature indicates that older women constitute only a small proportion of victim/survivors. However, there is evidence to suggest that existing research underestimates the extent of this issue... [Read more](#)

Hayes, B.E. (2015).

Indirect abuse involving children during the separation process.

Journal of Interpersonal Violence, Advance online publication, 27 July 2015.

Summary: Separation is believed to be an antidote to risk abusers pose to their partners and children and underlines many interventions in family, juvenile, and criminal court proceedings. Countering this belief is the claim that many abusers respond to the felt loss of power and control occasioned by separation by changing or escalating abusive tactics. This study complements research on post-separation by asking whether separation is associated with an increase in threats of indirect abuse, which relies on third parties to manipulate the victim... [Read more](#)

Henry, N., & Powell, A. (2016).

Sexual violence in the digital age: The scope and limits of criminal law.

Social & Legal Studies, 25(4): 397-418.

Summary: Considerable scholarly attention has been paid to a range of criminal behaviours that are perpetrated with the aid of digital technologies. Much of this focus, however, has been on high-tech computer crimes, such as hacking, online fraud and identity theft, or child exploitation material and cyberbullying. Less attention has been paid to 'technology-facilitated sexual violence', where new technologies are used as tools to perpetrate or extend the harm of a sexual assault, extend control and abuse in a domestic violence situation, or distribute sexual or intimate images of another without their consent. In this article, we focus on the scope and limitations of criminal... [Read more](#)

Laing, L. (2016).

Secondary victimization: Domestic violence survivors navigating the family law system.

Violence Against women, Advance online publication, 23 August 2016.

Summary: This qualitative study explored the experiences of 22 domestic violence survivors attempting to negotiate safe post-separation parenting arrangements through the Australian family law system. Their allegations of violence put them at odds with a system that values mediated settlements and shared parenting... [Read more](#)

Pound, P., Langford, R. & Campbell, R. (2016).

What do young people think about their school-based sex and relationship education? A qualitative synthesis of young people's views and experiences.

BMJ Open, 6:e011329 (Open access).

Summary: The authors aimed to investigate whether current provision of sex and relationship education (SRE) meets young people's needs in the United Kingdom. To do this the authors conducted a synthesis of qualitative studies of the young people's views of their school-based SRE. Eligible studies originated from the UK, Ireland, the USA, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Japan, Iran, Brazil and Sweden... [Read more](#)

Starmann, E., Collumbien, M., Kyegombe, N., Devries, K., Michau, L., Masuya, T., Watts, C., & Heise, L. (2016).

Exploring couples' processes of change in the context of SASA!, a violence against women and HIV prevention intervention in Uganda.

Prevention Science, Advance online publication, 29 September 2016 (Open access).

Summary: There is now a growing body of research indicating that prevention interventions can reduce intimate partner violence (IPV); much less is known, however, about how couples exposed to these interventions experience the change process, particularly in low-income countries. Understanding the dynamic process that brings about the cessation of IPV is essential for understanding how interventions work (or don't) to reduce IPV. This study aimed to provide a better understanding of how couples' involvement with SASA! - a violence against women and HIV-related community mobilisation intervention developed by Raising Voices in Uganda - influenced processes of change in relationships. Qualitative data were collected from each partner in separate in-depth interviews following the intervention. Dyadic analysis was conducted using framework analysis methods. Study findings... [Read more](#)

Sullivan, C.M., Bomsta, H.D., & Hacsckaylo, M.A. (2016).

Flexible funding as a promising strategy to prevent homelessness for survivors of intimate partner violence.

Journal of Interpersonal Violence, Advance online publication, 12 August 2016.

Summary: The complex interrelationship between intimate partner violence (IPV) victimization and housing instability has been well established. Being the victim of IPV is a leading cause of homelessness for women, and once someone is homeless, their lives often spiral downward quickly. While some IPV survivors require extensive and possibly long-term assistance to achieve safe and stable housing (especially if they are contending with multiple complex issues), others could avoid homelessness if provided with immediate, individualized, and flexible assistance... [Read more](#)

Zaleski, K.L., Gundersen, K.K., Baes, J., Estupinian, E., & Vergara, A. (2016).

Exploring rape culture in social media forums .

Computers in Human Behavior, 63: 922-927.

Summary: Current research has yet to examine the phenomenon of rape culture, particularly within social media forums. The present study investigated the attitudes about

rape, rapists, and gender-based violence within the comments section of newspaper articles reporting about rape and sexual assault. Naturalistic observation was used in order to gather statements within the comment sections following newspaper articles posted on either the periodical website or the periodical's Facebook page... [Read more](#)

In the news

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[ACC sessions, survey and sector update on sexual violence prevention](#) - 16 Oct, 2016

ACC will be hosting a series of sexual violence prevention information sharing...

[UNCROC publishes concluding observations on the rights of the child](#) - 13 Oct, 2016

The United Nations Committee on the Rights of the Child (UNCROC) has...

[Research shows benefits of defunded NGO Study Award Scheme](#) - 13 Oct, 2016

Massey University researchers have published a report about the benefits of the...

[MSD to require individual client level data from community agencies](#) - 10 Oct, 2016

The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) has stated that future contracts will...

[ACC launches web-based toolkit on primary prevention of sexual violence](#) - 3 Oct, 2016

ACC has developed an online toolkit on sexual violence primary prevention...

[Progress update on MSD sexual violence service development](#) - 3 Oct, 2016

The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) has provided an update on developing...

[Proposal to deprioritise placing Māori children in care with whānau, hapū, iwi criticised](#) - 29 Sep, 2016

A range of Māori groups and individuals have criticised the government's...

[Information evening on postgraduate violence studies at the University of Auckland in 2017](#) - 28 Sep, 2016

In 2017, the University of Auckland will again offer violence studies courses...

[Government announces more reforms to child protection and care](#) - 26 Sep, 2016

Social Development Minister Anne Tolley has announced that more reforms to the...

[MSD releases Community Investment Strategy Update 2016](#) - 22 Sep, 2016

The Ministry of Social Development (MSD) has published an update on the ...

[Calls for sanctions to be removed; committee report on Social Security Bill](#) - 22 Sep, 2016

The Social Services Committee has published a report on their review of the...

[Government responds to UN Committee on the rights of](#)

[children](#) - 19 Sep, 2016

Social Development Minister Anne Tolley led a delegation to meet with the UN...

[Six Legal aid offices to be closed](#) - 15 Sep, 2016

The Ministry of Justice has announced it will close 6 of the 8 legal aid...

[Legislation passed to set up child sex offender register](#) - 15 Sep, 2016

Legislation establishing a child sex offender register has passed its third and...

[Govt announces proposed changes under legislative review](#) - 13 Sep, 2016

The Government has announced changes coming out of its legislative review of...

[New resource for community organisations on engaging with the Treaty](#) - 12 Sep, 2016

The Treaty Resource Centre has published a new resource to support community...

[Songs addressing family violence](#) - 8 Sep, 2016

Youth band Manawatūkaha has won 2016's "Yeah, Nah it's not OK" song competition...

Upcoming events

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18 October 2016 *NEW*

[Ki te Whakaora - Sexual Violence Trauma: Towards Healing](#) - Workshop
Christchurch

18 October - 7 November 2016 *NEW*

[Sexual Violence Prevention - ACC invites you to information sharing sessions](#). 3 hour sessions will be held in the following locations (in date order). Follow the link for dates, times and venues for all sessions.

Hastings, Gisborne, New Plymouth, Wellington, Nelson, Whangarei, Auckland Central (CBD), South Auckland (Mangere), Kaitia, Tauranga, Rotorua, Invercargill, Dunedin, Christchurch, Hamilton, Palmerston North

26-28 October 2016

[The Nursing Network of Violence Against Women International \(NNVAWI\) 2016 Conference](#)
Melbourne, Australia

27 October 2016 *NEW*

[Strangulation in the Domestic Violence Context](#)
Workshop with Rob Veale
Masterton

27-28 October 2016

[SSPA National Conference 2016](#)
Christchurch

31 October - 1 November 2016

[Working With Parents' Anger. Stage One: Taking the heat off the child](#) - Training workshop
Christchurch

2-4 November 2016 *NEW*

[Dignity Whanganui 2016 Conference - Shaping a powerful collective response to family violence](#)

Whanganui

3-4 November 2016

[Crime Prevention and Communities - Conference](#)

Brisbane, Australia

4 November 2016 *NEW*

[Making Services Reachable: National Symposium](#)

Superu event

Wellington

10-12 November 2016 *NEW*

[Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Conference](#)

[Aotearoa New Zealand 2016](#)

Wellington

15-18 November 2016

[International Indigenous Research Conference 2016](#)

Auckland

21 November 2016 *NEW*

[The Body Keeps the Score with Bessel van der Kolk](#)

Seminar & Evening talk

Auckland

28-29 November 2016 *NEW*

[Neuroscience Extension Training \(NExT\)](#)

Wellington

2017

15-17 February 2017 *NEW*

[Community Development Conference](#)

Auckland