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NEWS AND INFORMATION LINKS UPDATE

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Welcome the No To Violence / Men's Referral Service *News Links Update*. See below for a list of links to information, stories, articles, analysis and commentary about family violence issues published in the Australian and overseas media across the month. From time to time, there will be also alerts about upcoming events that may be of interest to you.

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References, literature, policy, conferences and workshops

[Caledonian System program manuals](#)

In January 2004, the Scottish Executive Justice Department identified domestic violence as a priority issue .. design a model intervention system based on current theory, experience and best practice. What emerged from this is the Caledonian an intervention system that has the support of a number of authorities ... (Scotland)

[The Feminist Bookshop - publications](#)

Domestic Violence In Australia. Renata Alexander \$38.95. Legal response 3rd Edition. And others. (Aus)

[The prevalence of exposure to domestic violence](#)

Their partners were mostly the perpetrators of domestic violence towards women, while amongst men the perpetrators were mostly other family members. ... The domestic violence victims were mostly women ... aged up to 35 years ... Exposure to psychological violence was more prevalent than exposure to physical violence. (Polona Selic, Katja Pesjak and Janko Kersnik: Department of Family Medicine, Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana, Slovenia)

[Working with Latino men & boys to end domestic violence - training](#)

A national 1.5 day, hands-on training that will help OVW grantees to design programs that incorporate effective interventions and programming for working with Latino men and boys. Presented by Alianza - National Latino Alliance for the Elimination of Domestic Violence, the National Compadres Network the U.S. Department of Justice/Office of Violence Against Women. (US)

[Domestic and family violence position paper](#)

From the Australian Association of Social Workers. (Aus)

Dads Putting Kids First

Anglicare's 10 week group program for fathers who have completed a Men's Behaviour Change program is now interviewing for the third group to be run on Wednesday nights at Anglicare Lilydale from 7.00 pm – 9.00 pm, beginning Wednesday October 12, 2011. For more information, please contact Program Co-ordinator Carina Holmquist on 9735 4188.

Events

Melinda Tankard Reist's new book - launch

Melinda will be launching *Big P*rn Inc: Exposing the harms of the global p*rnography industry* at Readings Bookshop, 701 Glenferrie Road, Hawthorn on Thursday September 15, 6.00 pm for a

6.30pm start.

Melinda also took part in a recent [ABC TV Q&A program](#).

Campaigns

[Violent fashion and pornographic T-shirts](#)

The Human Rights Commission needs to take stronger action on images which contribute to harassment and excuse violence: [Collective Shout](#) Collective For a World Free of Sexploitation.

Australian news and features

[Research questions mandatory reporting impact on safety of NT women](#)

A new research project into the amendments to the Domestic and Family Violence Act 2007(NT) and its impact on the safety of Territory women questions whether the legislation is meeting its objectives. "The NT is the only place in Australia where legislation has been passed making it law for everyone to report domestic violence..." (Charles Darwin University)

[Who's sl*eping with whom?](#)

Perhaps you followed the recent visit here of Gail Dines, author and anti-p*rn activist ... a snide dig to her as 'the furthest to my right'...

[Report on responses to family domestic violence](#)

A mid-term progress report evaluating WA's systemic reform of whole of Government responses to family domestic violence situations has been tabled in Parliament.(Senior Australian news and reports)

[Crackdown on domestic violence](#). (The West Australian)

[Family violence on the rise in Brimbank](#)

A new report, *Stopping the Cycle of Family Violence: A report on Family Violence in the Keilor Electorate* calls for more funding to be directed to services like the West Centre Against Sexual Assault, based in Footscray. (The Brimbank Weekly)

[Big jump in Vic family violence reports](#)

Statistics show crimes against the person, such as assault and rape committed by a relative of the victim, rose 25 per cent to 12,350, or about two per 1000 Victorians, in 2010-11. (The Age)

[Falling marriage rates hurting children claim](#)

The well-being of Australia's children and young adults has declined sharply in the past decade; sliding marriage rates are partly to blame, a study - commissioned by the Australian Christian Lobby. - has found.

[Love and respect, not marriage, shelter children](#) - letters and comments. (Sydney Morning Herald)

[Ads up, calls down](#)

Calls by Territorians to a men's helpline inexplicably decreased after the NT Government launched a media campaign urging domestic violence perpetrators to ring for help. The figures were revealed by a CLP Freedom of Information search. (NT News)

International news and features

[The power of social media: 'I'm too pretty to do homework' T-shirt pulled](#)

A clip from the CBC Early Show about the campaign to remove a T-shirt marketed to young girls (USA).

[The shocking truth of domestic abuse of disabled women](#)

Disabled women are reportedly twice as likely as non-disabled women to experience domestic violence; are less likely to report it, and are more likely to experience it for longer before attempting to escape. (UK)

[Hair salon's domestic violence advert](#)

Crossing ethical boundaries

[Salon ad exploits ugly issue for profit.](#) (Canada)

[Heather Morris' 'Bruised Up Barbie' shoot](#)

Stirs up controversy of glorifying domestic violence.(USA)

[UN rights expert condemns US domestic violence laws](#)

UN Special Rapporteur on Violence Against Women Rashida Manjoo has called on the US government to re-evaluate its domestic violence policies. (USA)

[Engaging men in the effort to end violence against women](#)

In the Democratic Republic of Congo, society presents many opportunities for men - as fathers, boyfriends, employers or husbands - where they have the chance to choose: Will they treat a woman well or badly? (Huff Post)

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