

Adapting Response to Sexual Violence During COVID-19

Webinar Series: Adapting Legal and Systemic Responses During COVID-19
Addressing Violence Against Women

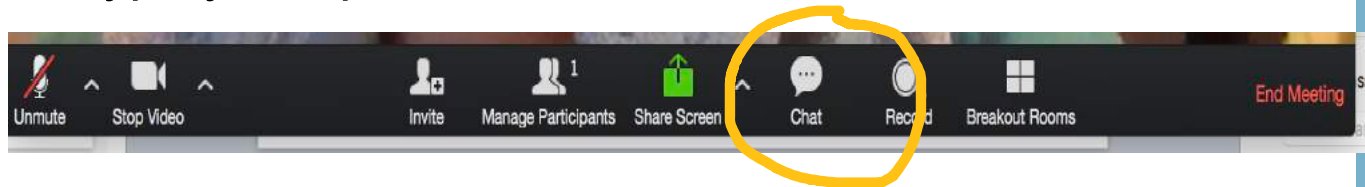
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Type your questions in the chat:



Moderators will pass along your questions throughout the presentation



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Global Rights for Women

Global Rights for Women works with leaders around the world to advance women and girls' human right to live free from violence through legal reform and institutional and social change.

Today's Moderators

Nazifa Wazirzada, Program Coordinator, Global Rights for Women

Laura Wilson, Attorney, Global Rights for Women

Laura Williams, Consultant/Trainer, Wise Action Consulting

Today's Panelists

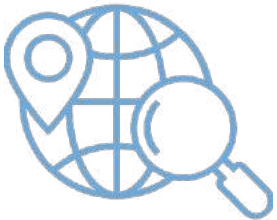
Sandie Barton, Executive Director, Rape
Crisis Scotland

Steve Bellshaw, Deputy Chief, Salem Police
Department

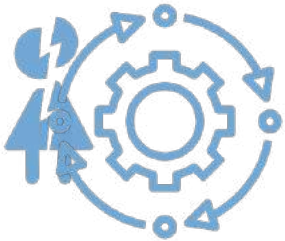
Jessie Mindlin, Attorney, Victim Rights Law
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Sara Jennings, Education Director,
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We Understand:



Context matters; Examples, not answers. You will decide what could work in your context.



Sexual violence is both a devastating personal violation and trauma, AND a tool of enforcing power, privilege and oppression.



Systemic reform of institutions and response organizations in many places is required.

Intersectional Oppression During COVID-19

- Heightened risks of VAWG and COVID-19 exposure arise for women of color, migrant women, women with disabilities, and economically oppressed women:
 - Limited access to technology
 - Limited access to medical care
 - Limited access to food, PPE and other basic needs
 - Disconnect, discrimination, and sometimes violence from response institutions and organizations due to institutionalized racism and other forms of oppression.
 - And much more.

What is Sexual Violence?

Any type of unwanted sexual contact.



Our Conversation

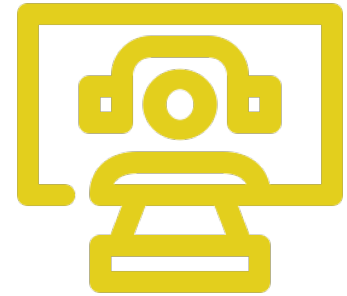
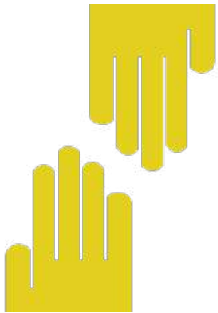
Reaching Survivors

Key Adaptations

Spotlight Issues

Policy Considerations

What's Next...



Questions



Spotlight Issues:

- At Home Rape Kits
- Early release for detainees and inmates and lack of notification
- Digital Divide
- Policy Issues
- Others?

Questions



What's Next?

As re-opening is underway without a vaccine, what's top of mind?

What changes do you hope we carry forward into the future?



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you!

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