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# **NAMEN News**

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We welcome your thoughts in inputs on the content and information we share. If you have comments, suggestions or concerns, please contact Rus Funk, Program Consultant.

## What's up with NAMEN

NAMEN is continuing to ramp up its services and programming in support of both our members, and to development of efforts to engage and mobilize men and boys in the US and Canada. Over the coming months, for members only, we'll be expanding the Resource Hub as well as will be planning regular (probably monthly) Member Meet-Ups. Member Meet-Ups are opportunities for members to meet, with a fairly loose agenda, to connect, learn from each other, and share experiences.

We are also beginning to plan more regular and frequent webinars. These webinars will be offered to both members and non-members (members can expect a discounted rate). If you have suggestions and thoughts for webinar topics, please contact Rus Funk, Program Consultant. Our webinar calendar currently includes June and July, taking August off, and providing monthly webinars beginning again in September.

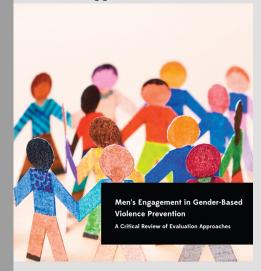
On June 18, we're hosting a webinar in honor of Father's Day, during which we'll explore some efforts to engage and mobilize fathers, the impact of fathering on our activism (and visa versa), and review the implications for engaging dads more broadly. Stay tuned for more information.

#### **News from the Field**

Last week, we announced the release of the report "Towards a US Femininst Foriegn Policy." Check out this article which provides an introduction and overview.

#### Resources

Men's Engagement in Gender-Based Violence Prevention: A Critical Review of Evaluation Approaches. (2014, White Ribbon Campaign).



This literature review highlights key conceptual and evaluation approaches to engaging boys and men in gender-based violence prevention. While there has been some progress in evaluating men's engagement efforts, they focus primarily on attitudinal shifts and tend to be small scale. This review examines some of the challenges to effectively and meaningfully evaluating male engagement efforts, the gaps that currently exist in efforts to evaluate these efforts, and offers some recommendations for developing our collective capacities to evaluate what it is that we're doing.

**Safe and Together Institute** announces a webinar with David Mandel & Ruth Searns: "Helping the Helpers: Introducing a Guide for Friends and Family on how to be an Ally for a Loved One Experiencing Domestic Violence."

June 16, 11 AM EDT

During this period of social distancing, learn how to work with and support the allies of domestic violence survivors.

#### North American Registration is here

Working with Men and Boys to End Violence Against Women and Girls: Approaches, Challenges and Lessons (2015, USAID).

This 132-page report is based on a international review of efforts and practices to engage men and boys with a particular focus on these efforts and practices in and from the Global South. This report then outlines some of the key lessons that are emerging from these efforts, including:

- Synchronizing working with men and boys with efforts to empower women and airls:
- Grounding interventions in the social ecology;
- Complimenting work at the individual level (ie: awareness raising or knowledge development) with efforts at the community level (challenging social norms);
- Offering men a positive, culturally compelling vision of gender identity;
- Fostering supportive male groups;
- And building skills in and with men.

#### **Last Note**

NAMEN is reliant on your support for our efforts and growth. Please invite your friends, colleagues and others to join NAMEN, and consider making an additional donation to support NAMEN as we continue to grow in our efforts and effectiveness.

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