



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 Coordinator.

What's up with NAMEN

NAMEN is launching a new “Program Committee” to focus on a) supporting the work of the Program Coordinator and b) develop the programs and services offered by NAMEN. The focus of the Program Committee in the coming months will be on the Resource Hub, Webinars and Community of Practice, and the newsletters. NAMEN is excited to be developing programs and services that help our members to be more effective in their efforts and expand the work more broadly.

If you have thoughts or suggestions about the kinds of programs or services that you'd like to see NAMEN offer, please contact [Rus Funk](#), Program Coordinator.

News from the Field

National Coalition Against Domestic Violence (US) applauds the House of Representatives

for including critical funding in support of domestic violence services and survivors as a part of the HEROES Act. The HEROES Act builds on the CARES Act in providing necessary supports in response to COVID-19. Included in the HEROES Act is critical funding support for the National Domestic Violence Hotline and the Family Violence Prevention and Services Act, (some) additional protections for immigrants who experience domestic violence, and identifies domestic violence and sexual assault advocates as “essential” workers. See the full [statement from NCADV here](#).

The Global MenEngage Alliance released [Transforming Masculinities: Towards a Shared Vision](#) (Nov, 2019) which explores some of the latest discussions on key themes and challenges for MenEngage Alliance. It offers ways forward to ensure our collective work makes a real contribution to feminist agendas and promotes the rights of all women and girls, and people of diverse sexual orientations and gender identities. Topics include:

- Progress and resistance in women’s rights worldwide
- Applying intersectionality
- A feminist framework for engaging men and boys
- Accountability
- Working together for an inclusive Alliance
- Advocacy in a shifting ‘men and masculinities’ discourse

Resources

Articles and Reports

[The invisible coronavirus makes systemic gender inequalities and injustice visible](#). This report by the Heinrich Boll Stiftung exposes the multiple ways that the pandemic is exposing gender inequalities and gender injustices.

[Does Confidence Trump Competence?](#) A short vid (3+ minutes) by Pop Culture Pirate that examines the ways that male confidence is weighted over competence (of men and women); the results of mediocre male leadership and how it hurts women.

Safe and Together announces the launch of their new [resources page](#) for families and friends. The first product available is [How to be an Ally to a Loved One Experiencing Domestic Violence](#).

NOTE: Safe and Together Institute is a ground-breaking program providing training and TA to child welfare agencies to be informed about domestic violence in ways that inform their practice to keep children and their mothers safe from both child abuse and domestic violence.

Webinars

Global Rights for Women Coalition is announcing a webinar series to explore “[Coercive Controlling Violence with Considerations During Covid-19](#)”. This series features experts from around the world to discuss emerging strategies for promoting victim safety and offender accountability during this period of decreased access to legal and community

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ED NOTE: The first of this series takes place on May 14, 10:00 AM Eastern time, which is after when this newsletter has been sent. NAMEN only received notice of this webinar earlier this week. It is our understanding that by registering (even late) you will be able to access the recording of this webinar and will be invited to subsequent webinars in this series.

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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