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Dear NVG&G-members,

In this newsletter, and to the best of our knowledge, we aim to provide an update of the latest sex- and gender-related knowledge, literature, and news on Covid-19 and sex/gender. We still need your help! Please send us resources, links to media outlets, literature, etc, so that we can disseminate quickly (info@genderengezondheid.nl). Our focus is not on the biological and medical aspects of the outbreak alone, but rather we aim for a broad overview and understanding of coronavirus COVID-19 and how it is related to sex and gender.

We will collect the information and disseminate it to the gender and health community and our members. Thank you so much in advance! Stay safe, and warm regards,

on behalf of the board Dutch Society Gender & Health (NVG&G),
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Updates from the Gender and COVID-19 Working Group can be found via the link .	
Working Group COVID-19 and Gender Joining the group email Rosemary Morgan Rosemary.Morgan@jhu.edu	https://docs.google.com/document/d/1_QfLS6Z90w_1rPM-jdeKC_IQXTcwA8Z4kF8Z5CerZrk/edit
The gender and COVID-19 Working Group is working on a call for integrating gender in clinical trials	

General information International			
<i>Source</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Link</i>	<i>Content</i>
WHO	Emergency. Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic	https://www.who.int/	News, information, links, situation reports, latest numbers, online training
WHO	Rolling updates on coronavirus-disease (COVID-19)	https://www.who.int/news-room/feature-stories/detail/who-health-alert-brings-covid-19-facts-to-billions-via-whatsapp	Offers the possibility for updates through WhatsApp
Centers for Disease Control CDC	Coronavirus (COVID 19)	https://www.coronavirus.gov/	
National Institutes of Health NIH	COVID-19 is an emerging, rapidly evolving situation	https://www.nih.gov/health-information/coronavirus	Research updates
Nacoti et al. (2020)	At the Epicenter of the Covid-19 Pandemic and Humanitarian Crises in Italy: Changing Perspectives on Preparation and Mitigation. NEJM, March 21 2020.	https://catalyst.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/CAT.20.0080	“Western health care systems have been built around the concept of patient-centered care, but an epidemic requires a change of perspective toward a concept of community-centered care.” “Coronavirus is the Ebola of the rich and requires a coordinated transnational effort. It is not particularly lethal, but it is very contagious. The more medicalized and centralized the society, the more widespread the virus.”
Ars Technica	Don't panic: The comprehensive Ars Technica guide to the corona virus	https://arstechnica.com/science/2020/03/dont-panic-the-comprehensive-ars-technica-guide-to-the-coronavirus/	Updated daily at 3 PM EDT.
New South Wales Government Australia	Latest updates on COVID-19 (Coronavirus)	https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/diseases/Pages/covid-19-latest.aspx	Age and sex breakdown of confirmed cases, plus other information
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Adams, J.G., Walls, R.M. (2020)	Supporting the Health Care Workforce During the COVID-19 Global Epidemic. JAMA, March 12, 2020. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.3972	https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/fullarticle/2763136	Focus on recommended barrier precautions (such as masks, gloves, gowns, and eye wear) and other measures, mainly on hospital – no gender perspective.
Ioannidis, J. (2020)	Coronavirus disease 2019: the harms of exaggerated information and non-evidence-based measures. European Journal of Clinical Investigation, Editorial https://doi.org/10.1111/eci.13222	https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/eci.13222	Abstract: The evolving coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic is certainly cause for concern. Proper communication and optimal decision-making is an ongoing challenge, as data evolve. The challenge is compounded, however, by exaggerated information. This can lead to inappropriate actions. It is important to differentiate promptly the true epidemic from an epidemic of false claims and potentially harmful actions.

General information The Netherlands			
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De Correspondent	“Corona in Context. Een gids die je helpt de pandemie te begrijpen”	https://decorrespondent.nl/11037/corona-in-context-een-gids-die-je-helpt-de-pandemie-te-begrijpen/4017550909944-d9fdf3ca	Overview of news and resources, you can send your recommendations for literature and The Correspondent will disseminate it further
Federatie Medisch Specialisten FMS	Informatie COVID-19	https://www.demedischspecialist.nl/	Dagelijkse update, nieuws, webinars
KNMG	Homepage Medisch Contact	https://www.knmg.nl/home/medisch-contact-2.htm	Nieuws
KNMG		https://www.knmg.nl/actualiteit-opinie/nieuws/nieuwsbericht-corona/coronavirus-1.htm	Verwijspagina en informatiebronnen voor dokters en patiënten
Landelijke Huisartsen Vereniging LHV	Coronavirus (22/3): alle informatie op een rij	https://www.lhv.nl/actueel/nieuws/coronavirus-223-alle-informatie-voor-huisartsen-op-een-rij	Actuele informatie voor huisartsen

Nederlandse Federatie van Universitair Medische Centra NFU	Alle informatie rondom coronavirus: COVID-19	https://www.nfu.nl/actueel/covid-19	Laatste ontwikkelingen rondom coronavirus
Nederlands Huisartsen Genootschap NHG	Dossier coronavirus	https://www.nhg.org/coronavirus	Adviezen voor de praktijk, afgestemd met Rivm
Renata Verloop	Communicatietips Corona	https://www.renataverloop.nl/communicatietips-corona	Rijksoverheid, Thuisarts.nl, Rivm, Pharos, Kinderombudsvrouw, NJI, Stichting Lezen en schrijven etc.
Rijksoverheid	Coronavirus COVID-19	https://www.rijksoverheid.nl/onderwerpen/coronavirus-covid-19	
Rijksinstituut voor Volksgezondheid en Milieu RIVM	COVID-19 Richtlijnen en draaiboeken	https://lci.rivm.nl/richtlijnen/covid-19	For GGD-en and hospitals
RIVM	Actuele informatie over het nieuwe coronavirus (COVID-19)	https://www.rivm.nl/nieuws/actuele-informatie-over-coronavirus	General information, updates, also in English
RIVM	Informatie over coronavirus (COVID-19) voor zorgprofessionals	https://www.rivm.nl/coronavirus/covid-19/informatie-voor-professionals	In Dutch. Voor zorgmedewerkers binnen en buiten de ziekenhuizen en zorgverleners in de uitvaartbranche
ZonMw, 31 January 2020	NWO en ZonMw: open access in strijd tegen coronavirus	https://www.zonmw.nl/nl/actueel/nieuws/detail/item/nwo-en-zonmw-open-access-in-strijd-tegen-coronavirus/	Oproep van ZonMw en NWO aan uitgevers en onderzoekers om publicaties Open Access te maken
ZonMw, 18 March 2020	Gevolgen COVID-19 uitbraak voor subsidierondes ZonMw	https://www.zonmw.nl/nl/actueel/nieuws/detail/item/gevolgen-covid-19-uitbraak-voor-subsidierondes-zonmw/	Nieuwe subsidierondes niet open tot 13 april. Indieningstermijn van openstaande subsidieoproepen met deadline tussen 17-3 t/m 30-4 wordt met 2 maanden verlengd. Indieningstermijn voor voortgangs- en eindverslagen met 3 maanden verlengd. Waar nodig budget neutrale verlenging.
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Sex/gender and COVID-19 – Science and reports

Note: some papers refer to Ebola – lessons learned may be useful for the COVID-19 outbreak

Author	Title/journal	Link	Key points
Nkangu, M.N., Olatunde, O.A. Sanni Y. (2017) Lessons from EBOLA	The perspective of gender on the Ebola virus using a risk management and population health framework: a scoping review. <i>Infectious Diseases of Poverty</i> , 6: 135	https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5635524/pdf/402492017_Article_346.pdf	<i>As regards Ebola:</i> Women’s increased exposure can be attributed to time spent at home and their responsibility for caring for the sick, while men’s increased vulnerability to the virus can be attributed to their responsibility for caring for livestock and to time spent away from home, as most known sources of the index cases have been infected in the process of hunting. (...) There is currently no evidence related to biological differences in female or male susceptibility to Ebola virus transmission and vulnerability; rather, there are differences in the level of exposure between men and women. Gender is therefore an important risk factor to consider in the design of health programs.
Smith, J. (2019). Lessons from EBOLA	Overcoming the ‘tyranny of the urgent’: integrating gender into disease outbreak preparedness and response. <i>Gender & Development</i> , 23(2), 355-369.	https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/13552074.2019.1615288	“The implications of neglecting gender dynamics, as well as the potential of equity-based approaches to disease outbreak responses, is illustrated through a case study of the Social Enterprise Network for Development (SEND) Sierra Leone, a non-governmental organization (NGO) based in Kailahun, during the Ebola outbreak.
World Economic Forum, 12 March 2020	The coronavirus fallout may be worse for women than men. Here’s why.	https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2020/03/the-coronavirus-fallout-may-be-worse-for-women-than-men-heres-why/	Women comprise the majority of health and social care workers. Mass school closures particularly affected women because of responsibility for childcare. Women already do three-times as much unpaid care work than men – and caring for relatives with the virus. Research from China suggests that while COVID-19 is infecting men and women equally, women are less likely to die than men. A study from the Chinese Center for Disease Control showed the death rate among men was 2.8%, compared with 1.7% for women.
Li, Y. et al. (2020), Feb 2020	Sex differences in clinical findings among patients with coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) and severe condition. <i>MEDRXIV</i> .	https://www.medrxiv.org/content/10.1101/2020.02.27.20027524v1.full.pdf	Preprint, not yet peer reviewed. Do NOT use to guide clinical practice.
Cai, H. (2020)	Sex difference and smoking disposition in patients with COVID-19. <i>The Lancet</i>	https://doi.org/10.1016/S2213-2600(20)30117-X	Taken together, these data seem to indicate that there might be a sex predisposition to COVID-19, with men more prone to being affected

	<i>Respiratory Medicine</i> , March 11, 2020		
Wenham, C., Smith, J., Morgan, R. on behalf of the Gender and COVID-19 Working Group (2020)	COVID-19: the gendered impacts of the outbreak. <i>The Lancet</i> , March 6, 2020	https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)30526-2/fulltext?te=1&nl=in-her%20words&emc=edit_gn_2020_0312	Quick overview of issues pertaining to sex/gender in COVID-19 response. “We call on governments and global health institutions to consider the sex and gender effects of the COVID-19 outbreak, both direct and indirect, and conduct an analysis of the gendered impacts of the multiple outbreaks, incorporating the voices of women on the front line of the response to COVID-19 and of those most affected by the disease within preparedness and response policies or practices going forward.”
UN, 19 March 2020	Paying attention to women’s needs and leadership will strengthen COVID-19 response	https://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2020/3/news-womens-needs-and-leadership-in-covid-19-response	Worldwide, 70% of health care workers are female, women are more often informal carers, lack of health insurance, insecure incomes, access to pre-/postnatal health care at risk, access to menstrual hygiene for health care workers, increase in violence, food insecurity,
UN, 19 March 2020 <i>Gender in Humanitarian Action</i>	The COVID-19 outbreak and gender	https://www.unwomen.org/-/media/headquarters/attachments/sections/news%20and%20events/stories/2020/giha%20wg%20advocacy%20brief%20gender%20impact%20covid19.pdf?la=en&vs=5651	Exacerbated burden of care on women, unaddressed needs of women health care workers, increase in gender-based violence, impact on women’s economic independence, impact on women migrant workers, interrupted access to sexual and reproductive health care, exclusion from leadership roles, need for targeted/intersectional approaches (disability, age)
CDC, 17 March 2020	Information about Coronavirus Disease 2019 – Pregnancy and breastfeeding	https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/pregnancy-breastfeeding.html	There is no knowledge on the risk of COVID-19 for pregnant mothers, pregnancy outcomes, whether it can be passed on during delivery, whether it transmits via breast milk.
Women in Global Health	OPERATION 50/50: Women’s Perspectives Save Lives	https://www.womeningh.org/operation-50-50	In partnership with Women of Color Advancing Peace and Security , Women in Global Health is compiling a list of expert women who are working to strengthen global, regional, national, and local capacities to prevent, detect, and respond to outbreaks.
Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters	COVID-19: What implications for sexual and reproductive health and rights globally?	https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_f-RHvxnsQAKu_ZyEj1X2lw	Webinar Mar 27, 2020 03:00 PM
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UN Women, 23 March 2020	WOMEN’S NEEDS AND GENDER EQUALITY IN LEBANON’S COVID-19 RESPONSE	https://arabstates.unwomen.org/en/news/in-focus/in-focus-gender-equality-in-covid-19-response	Call for gender in Lebanon’s country response, and guidelines for doing so in short- and long-term action. As an infection, COVID-19 seems to affect women less severely, but gender impacts are disproportionate. Lebanon has one of the highest gender gaps in the world. The report outlines key gender issues such as GBV and disrupted services, higher risks for instance for cleaners working in deserted spaces, lack of

			access to reproductive services; disproportionate care burden; consequences for work and labour market participation; women's participation in decision-making. Checklist with ten questions for COVID-19 responders.
EIGE, 25 March 2020	Corona puts women in the frontline	https://eige.europa.eu/news/coronavirus-puts-women-frontline	Sex differences in risk, women's care burden, risk for transmission to women is public transport which they are more often reliant on and which causes also problems when shut down (and when women have to go to work), concern for severe job loss in women dominated sectors such as hospitality, flight attendants, cleaners etc., increase in care work, physical distancing as a problem e.g. for people with a disability and the elderly (more women), domestic abuse, lack of women in decision-making positions, lack of sex-disaggregated data
European Institute of Peace, n.d.	Why we need gender perspectives in our global solutions to COVID-19	http://www.eip.org/en/news-events/why-we-need-gender-perspectives-our-global-solutions-covid-19	How will COVID-19, and its gendered effects be further exacerbated in contexts already affected by war and conflict: refugee camps, peace processes, post-conflict societies? EIP developed a list of recommendations for policymakers in peace-building.
Partnership for Maternal, Newborn & Child Health, 20 March 2020	PMNCH guidance on COVID-19 and women, children and adolescents' health	https://www.who.int/pmnch/mediainews/2020/guidance-on-COVID-19/en/	Links to resources on COVID-19 and pregnancy and breastfeeding, children and adolescents, sexual and reproductive health and rights
Center for Global Development, 16 March 2020	How Will COVID-19 Affect Women and Girls in Low- and Middle-Income Countries?	https://www.cgdev.org/blog/how-will-covid-19-affect-women-and-girls-low-and-middle-income-countries	The impact of covid-19
Guan et al. (2020)	Clinical Characteristics of Coronavirus Disease 2019 in China. NEJM, 6 March 2020, DOI: 10.1056/NEJMoa2002032	https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMoa2002032	1099 patients, The median age of the patients was 47 years; 41.9% of the patients were female. No further sex disaggregated data
BMJ Global Health, 18 March 2020	Sex, gender and COVID-19: Disaggregated data and health disparities. BMJ 2020;368:m1090, 18 March 2020 doi: https://doi.org/10.1136/bmj.m1090	https://blogs.bmj.com/bmjgh/2020/03/24/sex-gender-and-covid-19-disaggregated-data-and-health-disparities/?utm_campaign=shareaholic&utm_medium=twitter&utm_source=socialnetwork	Whether sex and gender matter to clinical pathways and outcomes associated with COVID-19. Analyses of data, and among 20 countries, it was found that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six provide sex-disaggregated data for numbers of confirmed cases and deaths (China, France, Germany, Iran, Italy, South Korea) • Seven provide sex-disaggregated data 7ors ex number of confirmed cases only (Austria, Canada, Denmark, Japan, Norway, Sweden, Switzerland) • No sex-disaggregated data could be located 7ors ex7n countries (Belgium,¹¹ Malaysia, Netherlands, Portugal, Spain, United Kingdom, United

			<p>States of America), although both the Netherlands and Spain informed us that they were in the process of compiling sex-disaggregated data but they were not available at the time of reporting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explanations focus on the immune system and underlying illnesses.
Lai, J., Ma, S., Cai, Z., et al. (2020)	Factors Associated With Mental Health Outcomes Among Health Care Workers Exposed to Coronavirus Disease 2019 Global Health JAMA Netw Open. 2020; 3(3):e203976. doi: 10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2020.3976	https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamanetworkopen/fullarticle/2763229	The relationship between mental health and exposure to frontline response work.
Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters, Journal		http://www.srhm.org/call-for-papers-covid19/	CALL FOR PAPERS: COVID-19 An Open Call for Papers SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS IN THE ERA OF COVID-19
Wenham et al., 27 March 2020	Abortion and COVID-19: why we need to support women's right to abortion in health emergencies	https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/politicsandpolicy/abortion-and-covid-19/	On 23 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care approved emergency measures relating to abortion regulation which would have revolutionised abortion practice in England.
Sheroos	The Women & COVID-19 Library	https://www.whoisyourshero.com/inspiration/women-and-covid19/	Sheroos is a collaborative project bringing together UK and international artists, feminist organisations, charities and the general public. This is a platform for women* artists, allies and organisations to use their creative expression to give a voice to, and turn our eyes towards, silenced and overlooked heroines – sheroes – throughout herstory and visual art, and offer inspiring female role models for us all.
		<p>Webinar on African Feminist and Anti-Capitalist Responses to COVID-19 31 March 2020, 3pm GMT Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/599930767</p>	Join this webinar to learn about African feminist and anti-capitalist responses to COVID-19.

FIGO, International Federation of Gynaecologists and Midwives, 12 March 2020	COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Statement	https://www.figo.org/news/covid-19-coronavirus-statement1	There is no evidence that pregnant women are more at risk than the general population and there is no evidence that the virus can be transmitted to the baby during pregnancy.
Centre for Feminist Foreign Policy		https://centreforfeministforeignpolicy.org/feminist-resources-on-the-pandemic	The response to the current pandemic is in dire need of feminist perspectives, especially as we are already seeing the gendered impact it is having. We hope you find this page to be a useful resource in staying informed and making sure that during this time, we both protect the most vulnerable and ensure that governments' responses to this pandemic don't trigger a roll back on women's and human rights.
Atria, 26 maart 2020	Waarom het belangrijk is te kijken naar man/vrouw verschillen in tijden van corona	https://atria.nl/nieuws-publicaties/beeldvorming-stereotypering/waarom-het-belangrijk-is-te-kijken-naar-man-vrouw-verschillen-in-tijden-van-corona/	In Dutch: Een gender lens bij Corona is belangrijk bij tegengaan van genderongelijkheid.
Julia Hussein (2020)	COVID-19: What implications for sexual and reproductive health and rights globally?, Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters, DOI: 10.1080/26410397.2020.1746065	https://www.tandfonline.com/doi/full/10.1080/26410397.2020.1746065	Global SRH is under direct threat because of factory lockdowns and disruptions of the supply chain.
Data2x	Gender data	https://data2x.org/resource-center/gender-and-data-resources-related-to-covid-19/	Data2X has compiled a running list of resources and current reporting on gender and gender data as they relate to COVID19 preparedness and response around the world, including the current and anticipated impacts of the pandemic.
Webinar SRHM Journal (Friday 27 March 2020)	Webinar on implications for sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) in the era of Covid-19.	http://www.srhm.org/news/covid-19-what-implications-for-sexual-and-reproductive-health-and-rights/	Perspectives included are disability perspective, people living with HIV/AIDS, WHO, transgender individuals, medical supplies companies.

BMJ blogpost, 30 March 2020		https://blogs.bmj.com/bmj/rh/2020/03/30/covid-19-abortion-4/	This evening the Department of Health and Social Care issued an approval order enabling women in England to have early medical abortions at home during the Covid-19 crisis. The provisions affect women seeking abortions before 10 weeks, allowing them to take both pills for early medical abortion at home. The approval also allows doctors to prescribe these tablets from their own homes provided they have had a consultation with the pregnant woman.
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Jin et al. (2020), 5 March 2020	Gender differences in patients with COVID-19: Focus on severity and mortality medRxiv	https://doi.org/10.1101/2020.02.23.20026864	<i>Not yet peer reviewed</i> “Results: Older age and high number of comorbidities were associated with higher severity and mortality in patients with both COVID-19 and SARS. The percentages of older age (≥65 years) were much higher in the deceased group than in the survived group in patients with both COVID-19 (83.8 vs. 13.2, P<0.001) and SARS (37.4 vs. 4.9, P<0.001). In the case series, men tend to be more serious than women (P=0.035), although age was comparable between men and women. In the public data set, age was also comparable between men and women in the deceased group or the survived group in patients with COVID-19. Meanwhile, gender distribution was exactly symmetrical in the 1019 survivors of COVID-19. However, the percentage of male were higher in the deceased group than in the survived group (70.3 vs. 50.0, P=0.015). The gender role in mortality was also observed in SARS patients. Survival analysis showed that men (hazard ratio [95% CI] 1.47 [1.05-2.06, P= 0.025) had a significantly higher mortality rate than women in patients with SARS. Conclusions and Relevance: Older age and male gender are risk factors for worse outcome in patients with COVID. While men and women have the same susceptibility to both SARS-CoV-2 and SARS-CoV, men may be more prone to have higher severity and mortality independent of age and susceptibility.”
Project Syndicate, 27 March 2020	A gender lens for COVID-19	https://www.project-syndicate.org/commentary/covid19-response-requires-a-gender-lens-by-susan-papp-and-marcy-hersh-2020-03	Gender is often an ignored factor during health emergencies, even though women comprise 70% of the global healthcare workforce. During the COVID-19 pandemic, the most effective policy responses will be those that account for how the crisis is experienced by women and girls.
United Nations Conference on Trade and Development UNCTAD, 1 April 2020	COVID-19 requires gender-equal responses to save economies	https://unctad.org/en/pages/news-details.aspx?OriginalVersionID=2319	Focus on economic consequences of coronacrisis for women

New Zealand College of Midwives, download 6 April 2020	COVID-19: Information for women	https://www.midwife.org.nz/midwives/covid-19/covid-19-information-for-women/	Message from midwives to pregnant women
Women Deliver, download 6 April 2020	How Women Deliver is responding to COVID-19	https://womendeliver.org/covid-19-response/	Women Deliver is continuing our regular work, as well as advocating for a gender lens on the COVID-19 response. We are and will keep using our political and normative muscle, liaising with and listening to partners, collaborating with our many networks, and communicating across platforms to move the needle for gender equality.
CARE + IRC, download 6 April 2020	CARE and the International Rescue Committee published Rapid Gender Assessment of the COVID-19 pandemic	https://reliefweb.int/report/world/global-rapid-gender-analysis-covid-19	Based on secondary data analysis undertaken between 12-20 March, 2020. The Rapid Gender Analysis for COVID-19 examines evidence from past public health emergencies, as well as available data around how COVID-19 affects gender roles and responsibilities; access to health care, including sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR); gender-based violence (GBV); decision-making and leadership; and access to information. Access: https://reliefweb.int/sites/reliefweb.int/files/resources/Global%20rapid%20gender%20analysis%20for%20COVID-19.pdf
UNICEF, 2020 download 6 April 2020	UNICEF technical note: Five actions for gender equality in the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) response.	https://www.unicef.org/document/s/five-actions-gender-equality-coronavirus-disease-covid-19-response-technical-note	Five actions for gender equality in the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) response. Download the document from this site. Core action points: 1. Care for caregivers.2. Prepare for increases in gender-based violence throughout the COVID-19 outbreak.3. Maintain core health and education services and systems.4. Engage women's and youth rights networks to support connectivity and the flow of vital information.5. Ensure gender data are available, analyzed and actionable
Statista.com, download 6 April 2020	German Covid mortality data stratified by gender and age group	https://www.statista.com/statistics/1105512/coronavirus-covid-19-deaths-by-gender-germany/	In Germany, in general more men than women have died from the disease so far, across all age groups except 90 years and older. Absolute numbers.
Peterman, A. et al., Potts, A., O'Donell, M., Thompson, K., Shah, N., Oertelt-Prigione, S., Van Gelder, N. and Gender and COVID-19 Working Group (2020)	Pandemics and Violence Against Women and Children	www.cgdev.org	Abstract Times of economic uncertainty, civil unrest, and disaster are linked to a myriad of risk factors for increased violence against women and children (VAW/C). Pandemics are no exception. In fact, the regional or global nature and associated fear and uncertainty associated with pandemics provide an enabling environment that may exacerbate or spark diverse forms of violence. Understanding mechanisms underlying these dynamics are important for crafting policy and program responses to mitigate adverse effects. Based on existing published and grey literature, we document nine main (direct and indirect) pathways linking pandemics and VAW/C, through effects of (on): (1) economic insecurity and poverty-related stress, (2) quarantines and social isolation, (3) disaster and conflict-related unrest and instability, (4) exposure to

			<p>exploitative relationships due to changing demographics, (5) reduced health service availability and access to first responders, (6) inability of women to temporarily escape abusive partners, (7) virus-specific sources of violence, (8) exposure to violence and coercion in response efforts, and (9) violence perpetrated against health care workers. We also suggest additional pathways with limited or anecdotal evidence likely to effect smaller subgroups. Based on these mechanisms, we suggest eight policy and program responses for action by governments, civil society, international and community-based organizations. Finally, as research linking pandemics directly to diverse forms of VAW/C is scarce, we lay out a research agenda comprising three main streams, to better (1) understand the magnitude of the problem, (2) elucidate mechanisms and linkages with other social and economic factors and (3) inform intervention and response options. We hope this paper can be used by researchers, practitioners, and policymakers to help inform further evidence generation and policy action while situating VAW/C within the broader need for intersectional gender- and feminist-informed pandemic response.</p> <p>Keywords: Pandemics, public health emergencies, violence against women, violence against children, intimate partner violence, COVID-19</p>
Herten-Crabb, A. (2020)	Why WHO needs a feminist economic agenda, Lancet, 395(10229), P1018-1020	https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)30110-0/fulltext	A feminist economic approach is consistent with how public health is taught and sometimes practised: that health, and access to health care, is interdependent not only on the economy but also on all other social and commercial determinants of health
UNFPA (February 2020)	Ensure universal access to sexual and reproductive health and reproductive rights	https://www.unfpa.org/sdg-5-6	An extension on the Sustainable Development Goals Framework in addressing women's reproductive rights, creating more attention for the human- rights dimension of the sexual and reproductive rights of men and women, with respect for the differences between countries.
Hacker, Daphna (2020), 28 March 2020	<p>The Challenges of the Coronavirus through the Lens of Gender.</p> <p>This text is an adapted translation of an article originally published in Hebrew, in <i>Outbreak</i>, vol. 1, March 28, 2020.</p>	<p>https://drive.google.com/file/d/1QMAslibUXQlKRWBZjz1plra7iL855br/view</p> <p>Original Hebrew text available at www.sapir-outbreak-journal.org/copy-of-21</p>	<p>"As with any social phenomenon, the global coronavirus crisis has gender-related implications. Sadly, this current crisis demonstrates how exasperatingly far we remain from a social reality in which the question of whether our reproductive organs are male or female is irrelevant. As the full impact of the crisis is yet to be felt, testimonies as to its gender-related implications can only offer initial indications, and the much-needed retrospective understanding that offers conclusive and empirically-based insights will be a long time coming. What we do already know, however, is that studies of previous epidemics such as the Ebola and SARS outbreaks have shown them to have significant long-term gender-related implications. Therefore, the present short article aspires to offer several warning signals and some beacons of hope, to serve as food for thought, as a call to awareness, and as a demand for an immediate response to situations that require an urgent feminist response."</p>

UN Women, 30 March 2020	Gender equality starts with you: Nine ways you can keep up your activism from your couch	https://medium.com/@UN_Women/gender-equality-starts-with-you-nine-ways-you-can-keep-up-your-activism-from-your-couch-624624c5fabe	Informing women and empowering them to stay activist while in lock down
UN (31 March 2020)	The recovery from the COVID-19 crisis must lead to a different economy	https://www.un.org/en/un-coronavirus-communications-team/launch-report-socio-economic-impacts-covid-19	A global collaboration is needed in response to the impacts of COVID-19; first, for the current challenges in the medical systems (countries with a well- developed healthcare system should support countries with less developed systems) and second, facing the social and economic consequences of this crisis (with a focus on the most affected: women, older persons, youth, informal sector, low-wage workers). To support our efforts, the United Nations is establishing a new multi-partner Trust Fund for COVID19 Response and Recovery to support low- and middle-income countries to respond to the emergency and recover from the socio-economic shock.
WGH, download 6 April 2020	Global health security depends on women – WGH’s five asks for gender-responsive global health security	https://www.womeningh.org/5-asks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Include women in global health security decision making structures and public discourse - Provide health workers, most of whom are women, with safe and decent working conditions - Recognize the value of women’s unpaid care work by including it in the formal labour market and redistributing unpaid family care equally - Adopt gender-sensitive approach to health security data collection/ analysis and response management - Fund women’s movements to unleash capacity to address critical gender issues <p>Further information and argumentation on the five asks can be found in the article.</p>
UNDRR (3 April 2020)	COVID-19 makes domestic violence a disaster management issue	https://www.undrr.org/news/covid-19-makes-domestic-violence-disaster-management-issue	Women and girls are disproportionately affected by disasters, because of structural barriers and gender inequalities that exist in societies before disaster strikes, this is the same for COVID-19. Domestic violence against women and children is now a major concern as lockdowns and isolation measures restrict freedom of movement. Especially vulnerable women: women with disabilities, migrant workers, women with restrictions on mobility. Women should be included in the decision making on COVID-19 related measures, as well as women’s organizations, to ensure a preparedness and response coming from the amazing networks of these organizations.
Marie Stopes International, download 6 April 2020	Our response to the COVID-19 crisis	https://www.mariestopes.org/covid-19 Webinar: https://www.mariestopes.org/news/2020/4/the-spotlight/	This organization provides the contraception and safe abortion services that enables women all over the world to choose their own futures. They mention that is it important that national governments define contraception and safe abortion services as essential during the COVID-19 crisis. If not, the consequences would be devastating. and around 9.5 million vulnerable women and girls risk losing access to safe abortion services. Concrete actions that governments can take are: access via telemedicine,

			<p>allowing pharmacies to provide services and removing unnecessary waiting times and the need for multiple doctor sign offs.</p> <p>Marie Stopes develops a space where we can come together to share practical, frontline solutions to increase access. This starts on 8th of April. Later webinars will be about 'self-care revolution' and 'nothing about us, without us'.</p>
<p>Sama Resource Group for Women and Health, download 6 April 2020</p>	<p>COVID Canvases: Connecting Gender, Health and Justice</p>	<p>http://www.samawomenshealth.in/samas-engagement-with-covid-19/</p>	<p>The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted on everyone's live, but a disproportional impact on the lives of the marginalized as women and girls. On this webpage, there will be regular updates, support resources and relevant reads to coordinate exchange of information, to build understanding and analysis of gendered and social inequities for COVID-19.</p> <p>One of the articles on the webpage is about 'health care workers at risk'. It is mentioned that there need to be protection of the health care workers of whom a substantial number are women. Another article is about 'lockdown in the time of COVID-19'. It explains that the lockdown has impacted various dimensions of everyday life that led to for example gender violence.</p>
<p>Wolffe, J., emergency physician - Dr. Jeannette Wolfe, MD, Making Science Accessible seX & whY, 4 April 2020</p>	<p>Sex and Gender</p>	<p>https://www.sexandwhy.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/03/COVID-and-Gender-Differences-Jeannette-Wolfe-and-Barbara-Annis.pdf</p>	<p>"So why are a frontline emergency medicine physician and a business CEO teaming together to write about COVID-19? Because we are both experts in how biological sex and gender influence our bodies and behavior and we realize that the actions people take or don't take in the next few weeks will heavily impact the overall mortality rates of this virus. So, we think it's time we have a frank talk about sex, gender and COVID-19."</p>
<p>Gender Action Portal, Harvard Kennedy School, Women and Public Policy Program, download 6 April 2020</p>	<p>Utilizing evidence-based research to incorporate a gendered lens for the COVID-19 pandemic</p>	<p>https://gap.hks.harvard.edu/gap-covid19</p>	<p>The Gender Action Portal highlights research summaries that may be helpful to policymakers, practitioners, activists, and leaders working on the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>
<p>OECD, download 6 April 2020</p>	<p>Women at the core of the fight against COVID-19 crisis</p>	<p>https://read.oecd-ilibrary.org/view/?ref=127_127000-awfnqj80me&title=Women-at-the-core-of-the-fight-against-COVID-19-crisis</p>	<p>"Policy responses must be immediate, and they must account for women's concerns. Governments should consider adopting emergency measures to help parents manage work and caring responsibilities, reinforcing and extending income support measures, expanding support for small businesses and the self-employed, and improving measure to help women victims of violence. Fundamentally, all policy responses to the crisis must embed a gender lens and account for women's unique needs, responsibilities and perspectives"</p>

<p>Center for Global Development</p> <p>WEBINAR 9 April 2020</p>	<p>Approaching COVID-19 Risk and Response through a Gender Lens, featuring members of the Gender and Covid-19 Working group (Clare Wenham, Amber Peterman), Thursday 9 April 2020, 1 PM to 2:30 PM ET</p>	<p>https://www.cgdev.org/event/approaching-covid-19-risk-and-response-through-gender-lens</p>	<p>By applying a gender lens to this pandemic, researchers and policy makers can better assess differential risks and target responses to ensure already-vulnerable populations don't fall even farther behind. Join us for this online discussion with CGD experts, external researchers, practitioners, and advocates on how a gender lens helps us better understand and respond to the threat of COVID-19.</p>
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<p>Wenham, C., et al. (2019) <i>Globalization and Health</i> volume 15, Article number: 49</p>	<p>Zika, abortion and health emergencies: a review of contemporary debates.</p>	<p>https://globalizationandhealth.biomedcentral.com/articles/10.1186/s12992-019-0489-3</p>	<p>Lessons learned from Zika</p> <p>Background: The Zika outbreak provides pertinent case study for considering the impact of health emergencies on abortion decision-making and/or for positioning abortion in global health security debates.</p> <p>Main body: This paper provides a baseline of contemporary debates taking place in the intersection of two key health policy areas, and seeks to understand how health emergency preparedness frameworks and the broader global health security infrastructure is prepared to respond to future crises which implicate sexual and reproductive rights. Our paper suggests there are three key themes that emerge from the literature; 1) the lack of consideration of sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services in outbreak response 2) structural inequalities permeate the landscape of health emergencies, epitomised by Zika, and 3) the need for rights based approaches to health.</p> <p>Conclusion: Global health security planning and response should specifically include programmatic activity for SRH provision during health emergencies.</p>
<p>Women Lift Health Speaker Series</p>	<p>Gender & power in Covid-19</p>	<p>https://womenlifthealth.course.tccatalog/course/covid-19-webinar-series</p>	<p>COVID-19 has demanded the world's attention this year, tested the resilience of health systems, and exacerbated existing inequalities. As countries grapple with its long-term effects, ensuring women's voices and perspectives are included in the response is an urgent priority to improve health outcomes.</p> <p>This virtual speaker series will explore the gender and power dynamics at play in this health emergency, offer a look into the challenges women face and outline immediate and long-term actions we can take to prioritize women's leadership.</p>

Men's Health Forum, n.d.	Corona Virus and Men. The facts about Covid-19 (updated regularly)	https://www.menshealthforum.org.uk/	Resources about men and corona – diabetes, smoking, male mortality, videos etc.
FAR (Feminist Alliance for Rights)	Call for a Feminist COVID-19 Policy	http://feministallianceforrights.org/blog/2020/03/20/action-call-for-a-feminist-covid-19-policy/	Statement for a Feminist Policy to address COVID-19: nearly 1500 activists, organizations and networks globally have endorsed our collective statement. The statement is available in English , French and Spanish . And soon it will be available in our website in Japanese. If you translated it to other languages, and want to share with other activists, please send it via email.
UN Women, 7 April 2020	COVID-19: Emerging gender data and why it matters UN Women Data Hub	https://data.unwomen.org/resources/covid-19-emerging-gender-data-and-why-it-matters	UN Women has been closely following the political and economic response to COVID-19 and how it is impacting women and girls. We are working with partners to bridge the gender data gap and deliver a more accurate picture of the gender dimension to the response so that it can be more effective for women and girls. As more gender data is produced and disaggregated, we will make it available here.
The Fawcett Society. (UK's leading membership charity campaigning for gender equality and women's rights at work, at home and in public life) 7 April 2020	A recording of the first #CoronaConversations, an online event series.	https://www.fawcettsociety.org.uk/Event/coronavirus-crisis-why-we-need-to-make-women-visible?utm_source=twitter.com&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=coronavirus_events	Sam Smethers, CEO of Fawcett, discussed with Caroline Criado Perez, Pragna Patel and Dr Mary-Ann Stephenson about how Coronavirus is affecting women and girls in the UK and why we need to make their experiences more visible with prominent leaders in the women's sector.
Fuller Project for International Reporting, 8 April 2020	Breaking: Some States Show Alarming Spike in Women's Share of Unemployment Claims	https://fullerproject.org/story/some-states-shows-alarming-spike-in-womens-share-of-unemployment-claims/	"Statistics obtained by The Fuller Project from several states show that the share of people who filed new unemployment claims who were women during the last two weeks of March surged from an estimated 13 to 35 percentage points above the norm for those states."
United States Institute of Peace, 8 April 2020	How to Make Women Count in the Response to Coronavirus	https://www.usip.org/publications/2020/04/how-make-women-count-response-coronavirus	Whether it is in health epidemics or peace processes, addressing the needs of women and girls in crises is often sidelined for what are deemed "more immediate" concerns. The majority of peace agreements since 1990 failed to reference women or gender issues and the number of women who serve as negotiators, mediators, or signatories to peace processes is still staggeringly low. But, when civil society organizations, including women-led organizations, are involved in peace processes, they are 64 percent less likely to fail.
Share-Net (Netherlands Network on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights.) 8 April 2020	Overview of Resources on COVID-19, SRHR & Gender	https://share-net.nl/overview-of-resources-on-covid-19-srhr-gender/	Most national responses have one thing in common: they neglect to include a gender lens to the outbreak response. This is not unique to the COVID-19 outbreak. Disease outbreaks affect men and women differently, and pandemics worsen existing inequalities and discrimination of marginalised groups. In this overview, some critical

			sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) and gender equality issues impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic will be presented and country-specific highlights for Share-Net International focus countries Bangladesh, Jordan and the Netherlands are presented.
UNESCO, 8 April 2020	COVID-19 Webinar #3: Addressing the gender dimensions of COVID-related school closures	https://en.unesco.org/news/covid-19-webinar-3-addressing-gender-dimensions-covid-related-school-closures	On 3 April, UNESCO convened its third webinar as part of the COVID-19 education response drawing over 150 government officials, practitioners and experts from numerous countries around the world. The webinar examined the gender dimensions of COVID-related school closures, and exchanged knowledge on how countries can ensure gender-responsive, evidence-based actions during and after this educational disruption.
UN Women 8 April 2020	Voices from the front lines of COVID-19	https://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2020/4/feature-voices-from-the-front-lines-of-covid-19	UN Women is bringing the voices of women on the front lines of the pandemic. As essential workers, care givers and journalists, here are some s(h)eroes who are out there, every day, protecting and serving their communities.
The Gender security project, 9 April 2020	Bystander Intervention Under Lockdown - The Gender Security Project	https://www.gendersecurityproject.com/2020/04/bystander-intervention-under-lockdown.html	What can people do as bystanders in case of violence? Options are explored in this piece
UN 9 April 2020	COVID-19 Gender Update Policy brief: The impact of COVID-19 on women	https://www.unwomen.org/en/digital-library/publications/2020/04/policy-brief-the-impact-of-covid-19-on-women	With the spread of the COVID-19 pandemic, even the limited gains made in the past decades are at risk of being rolled back. The pandemic is deepening pre-existing inequalities, exposing vulnerabilities in social, political and economic systems which are in turn amplifying the impacts of the pandemic. This policy brief by the UN Secretary-General explores how women and girls' lives are changing in the face of COVID-19, and outlines suggested priority measures to accompany both the immediate response and longer-term recovery efforts.
UN 9 April 2020	Put women and girls at the centre of efforts to recover from COVID-19	https://www.un.org/en/un-coronavirus-communications-team/put-women-and-girls-centre-efforts-recover-covid-19	Covid-19 response by ANTÓNIO GUTERRES SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UN "Today we are launching a report that shows how COVID-19 could reverse the limited progress that has been made on gender equality and women's rights – and recommends ways to put women's leadership and contributions at the heart of resilience and recovery."
Women Deliver 9 April 2020	Webinar: Global Health Security: Delivered by Women Deliver During COVID-19 and Beyond	https://womendeliver.org/webinars/	This webinar highlights perspectives on a people-centric and human rights-based approach to health security that is focused on delivering health for all through stronger health systems, a properly equipped and financed health workforce, and responding to health crises while maintaining core women's health services. Speakers shared recommendations and actions to propel advocacy to support investments in and commitments to women in the health workforce.

Oxfam media briefing 9 April 2020	DIGNITY NOT DESTITUTION An 'Economic Rescue Plan For All' to tackle the Coronavirus crisis and rebuild a more equal world.	https://www.oxfamnovib.nl/Files/rapporten/2020/English%20Brief%20Opdf%20-%20Dignity%20not%20Destitution%20-%20Embargoed%209%20April%202020.pdf	New analysis shows the economic crisis caused by coronavirus could push over half a billion people into poverty unless urgent and dramatic action is taken. This virus affects us all, even princes and prime ministers. But the equality ends there. By exploiting the extreme inequalities between rich and poor people, rich and poor nations and between women and men, unchecked this crisis will cause immense suffering.
CORE 10 April 2020	COVID-19 Global Pandemic Response Coordination	coregroup.org/resources/2019-novel-coronavirus-global-response-coordination/	CORE Group is convening members and partners to discuss their institutional positions vis a vis COVID-19 (novel coronavirus 2019) in an effort to coordinate and support the global pandemic response.
CORE 10 April 2020,	COVID-19 Response Coordination Call Gender Issues and Recommendations Tickets, Fri, Apr 10, 2020 at 10:00 AM Eventbrite	https://www.eventbrite.com/e/covid-19-response-coordination-call-gender-issues-and-recommendations-tickets-102192500520	Coordination Call #7 will focus on the role of women and how organizations can prepare to address rapidly changing program needs to support communities and families during the COVID-19 Response.
Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives Behind the numbers blog. Scott, K 10 April 2020	Women bearing the brunt of economic losses: One in five has been laid off or had hours cut	http://behindthenumbers.ca/2020/04/10/women-bearing-the-brunt-of-economic-losses-one-in-five-has-been-laid-off-or-had-hours-cut/	Which is why it is critical to understand and document the gendered dimensions of the economic crisis—and take immediate action to make the changes necessary in the emergency income programs now rolling out to extend support to the hundreds of thousands who soon won't be able to meet their basic needs. It is also the moment to lay the foundation for a more gender equal and inclusive world for tomorrow.
RIVM, 10 April 2020	Excess mortality caused by the novel coronavirus (COVID-19)	https://www.rivm.nl/en/news/excess-mortality-caused-by-novel-coronavirus-covid-19	Also in excess death not registered as corona, two thirds of deaths occurs among men.
Bayefsky, M et al. (2020) NEJM, 10 April	Abortion during the Covid-19 Pandemic — Ensuring Access to an Essential Health Service	https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMp2008006	Discusses how abortion care is under pressure and how its 'outsider role' as 'elective care' makes it vulnerable for anti-abortion policies during the pandemic. "Rather than being about preservation of PPE, the abortion restrictions imposed in recent weeks are the latest round in a long-running debate about whether abortion is a legitimate health care service. "Elective" abortion has been physically separated from other routine health care services; it is predominantly performed in independent clinics, even though it could be performed in most private obstetrics and gynecology practices."

Stidham Hall, K et al. (2020) 11 April	Centring sexual and reproductive health and justice in the global COVID-19 response, The Lancet, 11 April 2020	https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)30801-1/fulltext#bib2	Women, girls, and marginalised groups are likely to carry a heavier burden of what will be the devastating downstream economic and social consequences of this pandemic. <u>2</u> A sexual and reproductive health and justice framework—one that centres human rights, acknowledges intersecting injustices, recognises power structures, and unites across identities—is essential for monitoring and addressing the inequitable gender, health, and social effects of COVID-19.
The Feminist Alliance for Rights (FAR) and the Center for Women's Global Leadership (CWGL)	Webinar: Gendered Impact of the COVID-19 Crisis: Holding Governments to Account on the gendered impact of the COVID-19 Crisis. The webinar will take place Thursday April 16th at 10am EST / 7am PST/ 2pm GMT/ 7:30pm IST.	This webinar is open to FAR members, join via: http://feministallianceforrights.org/apply-for-far-membership/	Where leading feminist economists, Professor James Heintz and Professor Radhika Balakrishnan, will speak about the gendered impacts of the crisis, policy recommendations and ideas for strategies to hold States accountable. Once you join FAR, you'll receive the information to connect to the webinar.
Alon, T., et al. (2020) National Bureau of Economic Research NBER Working Paper No. 26947 Issued in April 2020	The impact of COVID-19 on Gender Equality	https://www.nber.org/papers/w26947	The economic downturn caused by the current COVID-19 outbreak has substantial implications for gender equality, both during the downturn and the subsequent recovery. Compared to “regular” recessions, which affect men’s employment more severely than women’s employment, the employment drop related to social distancing measures has a large impact on sectors with high female employment shares. In addition, closures of schools and daycare centers have massively increased child care needs, which has a particularly large impact on working mothers. The effects of the crisis on working mothers are likely to be persistent, due to high returns to experience in the labor market. Beyond the immediate crisis, there are opposing forces which may ultimately promote gender equality in the labor market. First, businesses are rapidly adopting flexible work arrangements, which are likely to persist. Second, there are also many fathers who now have to take primary responsibility for child care, which may erode social norms that currently lead to a lopsided distribution of the division of labor in house work and child care.

News on sex/gender and corona			
Source	Title	Link	Take home
The Hill, n.d.	Coronavirus appears to be more fatal in men than in women	https://thehill.com/changing-america/well-being/prevention-	70% of coronavirusdeaths in Italy in men In China, 64% of deaths in men In South Korea 54% of deaths in men

		cures/488507-coronavirus-appears-to-be-more-fatal-in-men-than	Links to CDC, reports, Chinese CDC
New York Times, 3 March 2020	What pregnant mothers should know about coronavirus	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/03/health/coronavirus-pregnant-women-babies.html	
Forbes, 6 March 2020	Do men and women have a corona virus risk gap	https://www.forbes.com/sites/carmenniethammer/2020/03/06/do-women-and-men-have-a-coronavirus-risk-gap/#674d70446826	The need for sex and gender segregated data on infection and mortality rate
BBC, 8 March 2020	Are women and children less affected?	https://www.bbc.com/news/health-51774777	Possibly, differences in smoking rates are responsible (lifestyle), as well as differences in the immune system
BBC, 8 March 2020	Coronavirus: Five ways virus upheaval is hitting women in Asia	https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-51705199	School closures, partner violence, frontline care workers, migrant domestic helpers, longer term economic impact
New York Times, 12 March 2020	Why Women May Face a Greater Risk of Catching Coronavirus	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/12/us/women-coronavirus-greater-risk.html	Women as formal and informal health care workers
France24, 13 March 2020	Gender and the coronavirus. How is the epidemic impacting women?	https://www.france24.com/en/20200313-51percent-gender-and-the-coronavirus-why-are-more-men-dying-than-women	Video. Interview with immunologist prof.dr. Sabra Klein, Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health
MsMagazine, 13 March 2020	The Coronavirus Gender Gap	https://msmagazine.com/2020/03/13/coronavirus-covid19-gender-gap-women-workers-nurses-teachers-flight-airline-attendants/	Women as carers, but also women's risk for job loss: flight attendants, domestic workers, teachers, nurses
Beckers Hospital Review, 13 March 2020	Gender roles and the coronavirus: Why women may have higher risk of catching COVID-19	https://www.beckershospitalreview.com/population-health/gender-roles-and-the-coronavirus-why-women-may-have-higher-risk-of-catching-covid-19.html	Women's roles in society pose higher risks. Compared to physicians, nurses have higher levels of exposure to diseases
SciDevNet, 16 March 2020	'Gender blind' coronavirus policies could hinder disease fight	https://www.scidev.net/global/gender/news/gender-blind-coronavirus-policies-could-hinder-disease-fight.html	Women at higher risk of infection, but have less power in decision-making Action plans that don't take into account gender differences will be less effective Economic and health impacts as schools close and travel bans set in

IPS Newsnet, 17 March 2020	Gender “could be Coronavirus key”	https://www.ipsnews.net/2020/03/gender-coronavirus-key/	Globally, women make up about 70 per cent of the health workforce and are primarily responsible for childcare, particularly in countries where schools have closed. Not recognising that this creates different needs means you’re then not creating policy to mitigate against it
TIME, 18 March 2020	As cities around the world go on lock down, victims of domestic violence look for a way out	https://time.com/5803887/coronavirus-domestic-violence-victims/	COVID-19 is used by abusers to further isolate victims or threaten them. Women are the most likely victims. People who are already in an abusive situation run the risk of facing more extreme violence
NOS, 19 March 2020	Ziekenhuisbevallingen en verloskundige zorg onder druk door corona	https://nos.nl/artikel/2327675-ziekenhuisbevallingen-en-verloskundige-zorg-onder-druk-door-corona.html	Hospital deliveries and obstetrical care under pressure in the Netherlands. Women may be required to have home births. The Dutch health care system is organized for homebirths but women now may not have a choice
The Atlantic, 19 March 2020	The coronavirus is a disaster for feminism. Pandemics affect men and women differently	https://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2020/03/feminism-womens-rights-coronavirus-covid19/608302/	“The coronavirus crisis will be global and long-lasting, economic as well as medical. However, COVID-19 offers an opportunity. This could be the first outbreak where gender and sex differences are recorded, and taken into account by researchers and policy makers. For too long, politicians have assumed that child care and elderly care can be “soaked up” by private citizens—mostly women—effectively providing a huge subsidy to the paid economy. This pandemic should remind us of the true scale of that distortion.”
Daily Mail, 20 March 2020	More than 70% of coronavirus deaths in Italy are men and scientists admit they are ‘mystified’ by the disparity between genders	https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-8135211/More-70-coronavirus-deaths-Italy-men.html	Sex differences in infection and mortality rates in Italy – possibly explained by smoking, alcohol use, underlying illnesses, sex differences in immune system
Kaiser, 20 March 2020	Coronavirus: A Look at Gender Differences in Awareness and Actions	https://www.kff.org/womens-health-policy/issue-brief/coronavirus-a-look-at-gender-differences-in-awareness-and-actions/	More Women than Men Worry about Getting Sick and Losing Income Women more Likely than Men to Report Mental Health Effects from Worrying about Coronavirus Women Have Been More Proactive in Response to the COVID-19 Outbreak
The Guardian, 21 March 2020	For some people, social distancing means being trapped indoors with an abuser	https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2020/mar/21/coronavirus-domestic-violence-week-in-patriarchy?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	Coronavirus will lead to an increase in domestic violence. Gender-based violence tends to increase during humanitarian emergencies and conflicts. Coronavirus caused a spike in China, in the US calls to hotlines are increasing, with COVID-19 being used to further control and isolate women.

Haaretz, 23 March 2020	Why Coronavirus Kills More Men Than Women	https://www.haaretz.com/world-news/premium-biology-or-behavior-scientists-study-why-coronavirus-kills-more-men-than-women-1.8688767	Focusing on immunology and sex differences in immune system
NOS, 23 March 2020	Zeker helpt coronadoden had onderliggende aandoening, twee derde is man	https://nos.nl/artikel/2328082-zeker-helpt-coronadoden-had-onderliggende-aandoening-twee-derde-is-man.html	There are no sex differences in infection rates in The Netherlands, but there is a sex difference in mortality 2:1 (M:F). This is explained by smoking behaviors, men smoke more often. Another explanation is underlying pathology such as heart disease.
CBS News, 23 March 2020	Texas becomes latest state to halt abortion services amid coronavirus outbreak	https://www.cbsnews.com/news/texas-governor-greg-abbott-stop-abortion-services-coronavirus-outbreak/	Abortion is deemed “medically unnecessary surgery” and has to be stopped, unless it is considered “medically necessary”
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Devex, 11 March 2020 by Chris Purdy	Opinion: How will COVID-19 affect global access to contraceptives — and what can we do about it?	https://www.devex.com/news/opinion-how-will-covid-19-affect-global-access-to-contraceptives-and-what-can-we-do-about-it-96745#.XmvOg7TFbPo.twitter	
WSFA12 News, 17 March 2020	What pregnant women should know during COVID-19 outbreak	https://www.wsfa.com/2020/03/17/what-pregnant-women-should-know-during-covid-outbreak/	Pregnant women tend to have weaker immune systems, staying home is encouraged
The Interpreter, 20 March 2020	Why gender matters in the impact and recovery of COVID-19	https://www.lowyinstitute.org/the-interpreter/why-gender-matters-impact-and-recovery-covid-19	Gendered labour markets with care burden for women, migrant women more often precarious work and no health insurance or paid sick leave, limited access to protective services and materials, higher risk at job loss. Sexual and reproductive services may be disrupted (chain disruption), economic investment must focus not only on male-dominated sectors
The Inquirer, 21 March 2020	Why is the coronavirus so much more deadly for men than for women	https://www.inquirer.com/health/coronavirus/coronavirus-men-boys-20200321.html	More men dying in nearly every age category, hence, also at younger age. Smoking is one explanation, but also men’s susceptibility. Oestrogen is put forward as explanation for the fact that women seem to be more protected – women may be able to hold their virus loads low.
National Post, 23 March 2020	Canadian women far more worried about pandemic than men, poll shows	https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/canadian-women-are-far-	Canadian poll from Abacus Data: Men less likely to worry, and also less likely to follow up on advice (not doing social distancing), mostly young men and older men

		more-worried-about-covid-19-than-men-poll	
Daily Nation, 24 March 2020	UN Chief seeks gender-responsive strategies on COVID-19	https://www.nation.co.ke/gender/UN-boss-seeks-gender-responsive-strategies/5362750-5501222-7gq04vz/index.html	Gendered risks, also focus on need 23ors ex-disaggregated data: infection rates, economic impacts, differential care burden, incidence of GBV, embedding gender dimensions and experts in response plans and budget resources, providing access to women-friendly protective measures and personal hygiene for health care workers, flexible working arrangements for women with care tasks, targeting health messages to marginalized women, providing essential health services to women including SRH
NRC, 24 March 2020	Wie valt ten prooi aan het coronavirus? Iedereen, maar mannen worden zieker	https://www.nrc.nl/nieuws/2020/03/24/wie-valt-ten-prooi-aan-het-coronavirus-iedereen-maar-mannen-woorden-zieker-a3994769	Focus on underlying illnesses, and 2:1 mortality rates (M:F), interview with Sabine Oertelt-Prigione, about sex differences in immune system and most likely because of genetic differences (double X-chromosome), immune response to virus seems to be controlled better in women. She thinks that oestrogen is not likely to play a role as sex differences also occur in the elderly. Smoking as an explanation for sex difference is also questionable because younger generations also show similar death rates and younger patients are less likely to smoke.
New York Times, 25 March	Nurses share coronavirus stories anonymously in an online document	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/25/business/media/coronavirus-nurses-stories-anonymous.html	A health care worker in New Jersey created a digital venue for people in the field to chronicle poor working conditions that may put patients at risk. Access the document here: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScqX7mNjv4cZtJTAasyb9ZEF-9VOxIXk9xwVehO8sy0h5XKbbg/viewform
Transactivists, 25 March 2020	Covid-19: Community response	https://transactivists.org/covid-19/	The community response is crucial during this extraordinary period. We must remain vigilant, document, and report any human rights violations, interruptions of services and care.
BBC News, 26 March 2020	Coronavirus: Malaysian men in shopping muddle amid lockdown	https://www.bbc.com/news/blogs-news-from-elsewhere-52040256	The Malaysian government's decision to allow only "the head of the family" to leave the house to shop, as part of measures to suppress the Covid-19 coronavirus outbreak, has had unintended consequences: Some men are unexpectedly finding themselves responsible for the grocery shopping and suddenly having to distinguish between bewildering varieties of vegetables, spices and herbs.
Devex, Rhoopa Dhatt, 27 March 2020	Global health security depends on women	https://www.devex.com/news/opinion-global-health-security-depends-on-women-96861?access_key=&utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=newswire&utm_campaign=yourheadlines&utm_content=text&mkt_tok=eyJpIjoiTlRObFpXTmxNVGhoT1RGbClsluQjOiIlrV0hMbVJnOWdmMIQxczV4RnFcLzlsXC9lWE56alZyYzIqVFdHR3R	

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The Guardian, 27 March 2020	Global condom shortage looms as coronavirus shuts down production	https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/mar/27/global-condom-shortage-coronavirus-shuts-down-production?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	Biggest producer: Already a shortfall of 100 m condoms
ICAEW, 27 March 2020	Covid-19: Gender pay gap reporting deadlines suspended	https://www.icaew.com/insights/viewpoints-on-the-news/2020/mar-2020/covid-19-gender-pay-gap-reporting-deadlines-suspended	
New York Times, 28 March 2020	'Women Will Not Be Forced to Be Alone When They Are Giving Birth'	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/28/parenting/nyc-coronavirus-hospitals-visitors-labor.html?referringSource=articleShare	Partners of women who give birth at the hospital during the outbreak are allowed in the delivery room after they were originally barred.
The Guardian, 29 March 2020	State control over women's bodies is an unforeseen outcome of the coronavirus crisis	https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2020/mar/29/state-control-womens-bodies-covid-19-crisis	A U-turn on women's ability to access home abortions and the cancellation of IVF means they have less say over their fertility.
The Guardian 26 March 2020	Men are much more likely to die from coronavirus, but why?	https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/mar/26/men-are-much-more-likely-to-die-from-coronavirus-but-why?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	Insights into the corona gender gap.
Democracy Now! (US)	The war and peace report – Amy talks to Katie Ray Jones about the threat facing many women during social isolation and lockdowns: domestic violence	https://www.democracynow.org/2020/3/27/domestic_violence_coronavirus_katie_ray_jones	"Domestic violence services are scrambling to help vulnerable people navigate home lives that they say are increasingly unsafe during the pandemic".

China Current	Audio report on 'the Gender question', with Sarah Hawkes	https://chinacurrent.com/story/19668/the-gender-question-the-novel-outbreak	Gender is always critical and again in the COVID-19 pandemic. Early data shows high-risk groups including the ageing population and those with underlying health issues such as long-term heart, liver, kidney and lung disease. But we are also beginning to know that men are more susceptible to infection, though the reasons for this are not clear. At the same time, with women making up the majority of the world's health workforce, what is the opportunity here to create a new movement for equality, so that the legacy of COVID-19 can produce some meaningful good for all of us?
Gender Security project	A callout for emphatic leadership	https://www.gendersecurityproject.com/2020/03/empathy-in-times-of-crisis.html	A list of comprehensive and impact-oriented responses to the Corona pandemic by non-cis-het male leaders.
Saahas	A project by Gender Security Project	https://www.saahas.space/	Saahas comprises a directory of support across 196 countries, a database of guidance notes on understanding gender-based violence and ways to respond to them. The directory of support comprises over 40000 organizations across 196 countries offering medical, legal, education / employment, resources (food, shelter, clothing, emergency support), consular and refugee-specific support, police and ambulance services for survivors of gender-based violence and child support service.
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The Scientist, 24 February 2020	Why Some COVID-19 Cases Are Worse than Others	https://www.the-scientist.com/news-opinion/why-some-covid-19-cases-are-worse-than-others-67160	Emerging data as well as knowledge from the SARS and MERS coronavirus outbreaks yield some clues as to why COVID-19, the disease caused by SARS-CoV-2, affects some people worse than others. This article gives an overview. Elderly and sick people are most susceptible to severe forms of COVID-19. Men might be more affected by COVID-19 than women. Different coronaviruses vary in severity, why? Although the case fatality rate of COVID-19 is lower, the virus has already killed more people than the other two outbreaks combined (SARS/MERS), which some have attributed to the pathogen's fast transmission.
WSSCC Water supply & sanitation collaborative council By Dr Elizabeth Wamera, download 7 April 2020	COVID-19: How gender stereotyping impact delivery of sanitation and hygiene programmes	https://www.wsscc.org/2020/03/29/covid-19-how-gender-stereotyping-negatively-impact-delivery-of-sanitation-and-hygiene-programmes/	WSSCC works with poor people, organizations, government and local entrepreneurs to improve sanitation and hygiene at scale. Nowadays with the outbreak of COVID-19, there is increased focus on the hygiene and care roles. The male sanitation and hygiene behavior and practice can play a key role in stopping the spread of the Corona virus today, because men are less likely to consistently wash their hand with soap at critical times. Focused on the care roles, women have been given the responsibility for household hygiene and sanitation (i.e. getting water for handwashing, storing water safely, cleaning toilets). This unequal distribution of hygiene work can reinforce gender roles for women and limit their other roles within and outside the home. So, men taking more responsibility for household hygiene and sanitation can help women take other roles.

IFRC (International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies) 17 March 2020	Protection, gender and inclusion in the response to COVID-19 – technical guidance note	https://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/document/protection-gender-inclusion-response-covid-19-technical-guidance-note/	“This technical guidance note is aimed at IFRC and NS staff involved in the global response to the Covid-19 outbreak, especially PGI and health focal points. The guidance note outlines issues that may threaten people’s dignity, access, participation and safety and suggests actions to address these threats.”
Devex, 24 March 2020	COVID-19 delays gender data collection on Colombian border	https://www.devex.com/news/covid-19-delays-gender-data-collection-on-colombian-border-96839	“In the interim, the Colombian government has asked CARE to aid in its response to COVID-19 with the Venezuelan refugee and migrant population. The organization is experienced in emergency humanitarian activities and will be assisting in areas such as WASH, improving shelter conditions, protection, sexual and gender-based violence, and sexual and reproductive health.”
Rfi 26 March 2020	Not just a health issue': How Covid-19 is quietly eroding women's rights	http://www.rfi.fr/en/france/20200326-coronavirus-domestic-violence-gender-perspectives	While the coronavirus is a deadlier disease for men, the health and social crisis brought on by the virus is hitting women hardest because of domestic violence and enduring unemployment.
IMS (International Media Support), 26 March 2020	Media, remember gender in your COVID-19 coverage	https://www.mediasupport.org/news/media-remember-gender-in-your-covid-19-coverage/	“Media always have a strong obligation to offer the public professionally produced content and reliable information. Following the current global crisis caused by the Corona virus, Emma Boberg Lygnerud, IMS Global Response Department Gender Adviser, encourages media to make it more of a priority to provide a diverse, balanced and gender sensitive coverage.”
Uganda Women’s Network, 27 March 2020	PRESS RELEASE ON BRUTALITY AND USE OF EXCESSIVE FORCE BY SECURITY FORCES IN ENFORCEMENT OF PRESIDENT’S DIRECTIVES ON COVID-19.	https://www.uwonet.or.ug/press-release-on-brutality-and-use-of-excessive-force-by-security-forces-in-enforcement-of-presidents-directives-on-covid-19/	Uganda Women’s Network (UWONET) is gravely concerned about media reports, pictures and footage of the Uganda Police Force, Uganda Peoples Defence Forces, and Local Defence Units using excessive force against civilians, particularly women street vendors on Thursday 26th March 2020 following H.E. Yoweri Kaguta Museveni’s Wednesday 25th 2020 Presidential Directives on the management of COVID-19 in Uganda.
Global Voices, 28 March 2020	Market mayhem in Uganda as COVID-19 measures upend women’s lives	https://globalvoices.org/2020/03/28/market-mayhem-in-uganda-as-covid-19-measures-upend-womens-lives/	Due to the ban on the sale of non-food items by The Ugandan government, the country’s markets, often dominated by women sellers, were turned upside down. These sudden restrictions have led to increased violence and crimes against those working in the informal sector, such as street vendors who continue to sell their goods to earn a living and feed their families. On March 26, Ugandan women street vendors were flogged and brutalized by police, who used a level of force that went beyond that allowed by recent presidential directives.
New York Times, March 31 2020	Why This Economic Crisis Differs From the Last One for Women	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/31/us/equal-pay-coronavirus-economic-impact.html	Unlike the financial crash of 2008, this downturn will likely lead to more job losses for women, according to new research. Alisha Haridasani Gupta spoke with Matthias Doepke, one of the authors of the research paper, to explain the economic consequences of the virus for women and what the recovery might look like.

France 24, 31 March 2020	Coronavirus: Why do more men die of Covid-19 than women?	https://www.france24.com/en/20200331-coronavirus-why-do-more-men-die-of-covid-19-than-women	One clear trend is emerging: Men are much more likely to die from the disease than women.
Ecologist The journal for the post-industrial age By Catherine Early, 31 March 2020	Women fighting COVID-19 on poverty pay	https://theecologist.org/2020/mar/31/women-fighting-covid-19-poverty-pay	UK context: The majority of occupation with the highest exposure to contracting COVID-19 are key workers (nurses, pharmacists and care workers). 77 percent of this workforce are women. In addition, 98% of the full-time working high risk jobs and paid poverty wages (income less than 2/3 of the UK median wage) are women.
Tim Hume at Vice.com, 31 March 2020	French response to increase in domestic violence	https://www.vice.com/en_us/article/y3m4g/france-is-putting-domestic-abuse-victims-in-hotels-during-coronavirus-lockdown	France is relocating women beaten by their partners into hotels, and has created a secret code word for them to discreetly seek help in pharmacies, in response to a huge increase in domestic abuse during the coronavirus lockdown.
Huffington Post, 31 March 2020	Asian women are three times more likely than men to report racist harassment related to COVID-19, a new report shows.	https://m.huffpost.com/us/entry/us_5e822d41c5b66ea70fda8051?ncid=tweetInkushpmg00000050	Asian people face coronavirus-related discrimination in the wake of the outbreak, which may have a disproportionate impact on Asian women, who are three times more likely to report instances of racist harassment related to the coronavirus than Asian men, according to a report released last Thursday by the Asian Pacific Policy & Planning Council (AP3CON) and Chinese for Affirmative Action. Read the report here: http://www.asianpacificpolicyandplanningcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/A3PCON_Public_Weekly_Report_3.pdf
Andrea Flynn for Ms Magazine, 31 March 2020	The “All-Consuming” Emotional Labor Caused by Coronavirus—and Shouldered by Women	https://msmagazine.com/2020/03/31/op-ed-the-all-consuming-emotional-labor-caused-by-coronavirus-and-disproportionately-shouldered-by-women/	Op-ed. Emotional labour is mostly performed by women.
NOS, 31 March 2020	Prostitutie gaat ondanks corona gewoon door	https://nos.nl/l/2329005	Prostitution continues despite corona (in Dutch)
Channel New Asia, 1 April 2020	Calls to Spain's gender violence helpline rise sharply during COVID-19 lockdown	https://www.channelnewsasia.com/news/world/calls-to-spain-s-gender-violence-helpline-rise-sharply-during-12599012	Calls to Spain's governmental helpline for victims of gender violence increased by 12.4 per cent in the first two weeks of the lockdown compared to the same fortnight last year, while online consultations of the helpline's website grew by 270 per cent, the Equality Ministry said. Worried about a rise in violence against women as people are stuck at home and can only go out to buy groceries, visit the pharmacy or, in some cases, to work, the government has started a new campaign encouraging women to call the helpline.

NRC, 2 April 2020	Even van de roze wolk	https://www.nrc.nl/nieuws/2020/04/02/het-babybezoek-mag-alleen-op-raamvisite-a3995695	In Dutch: pregnancy and childbirth are different during the pandemic than expected. How about breastfeeding, are partners allowed to join consultations with the midwife, telephone/video consultations, and can the coronavirus be transmitted tot the baby? In the Netherlands, homebirth is an option and is increasingly attractive at the moment.
CNN, 2 April 2020	In Panama, coronavirus lockdown means separating men and women	https://edition.cnn.com/2020/04/01/world/panama-coronavirus-sex-intl/index.html	Panama is taking a new -- if somewhat unorthodox -- measure to combat the spread of the novel coronavirus: separation of the sexes. Starting on Wednesday, only women will be able to leave their homes to buy necessities on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Men in Panama will be allowed to venture outside to run errands on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. The additional measures to the already-announced national quarantine in theory will make it easier for police in the Central American nation to limit the number of people going out in public.
The Guardian, 4 April 2020	There's nothing pro-life about exploiting a pandemic to further a political agenda	https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2020/apr/04/abortion-restrictions-coronavirus-pandemic-nothing-pro-life	How pro-life advocates are using the pandemic to target abortion rights
Plan International, n.d.	Covid-19 school closures will hit girls hardest	https://plan-international.org/blog/2020/03/covid-19-school-closures-hit-girls-hardest	As COVID-19 forces school closures in 185 countries, Plan International and UNESCO warn of the potential for increased drop-out rates which will disproportionately affect adolescent girls. (...) Education responses must prioritise the needs of adolescent girls' at the risk of reversing 20 years of gains made for girls' education.
Feminist Wire	Coronavirus Hampers Access to Menstrual Products for Low-Income People and Shelters	http://feminist.org/blog/index.php/2020/04/06/coronavirus-hampers-access-to-menstrual-products-for-low-income-people-and-shelters/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+FeministDailyNews+%28Feminist+Daily+News%29	Low-income individuals and social service organizations are <u>struggling to find menstrual products</u> amid the coronavirus outbreak. Along with other essentials like toilet paper, menstrual products have become difficult to find in stores or online due to consumers stocking up at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.
Sara Davies and Belinda Bennett, at the Conversation	Addresses lack of published research into gendered impact of infectious outbreaks (from before Covid)	https://theconversation.com/zika-and-ebola-had-a-much-worse-effect-on-women-we-need-more-research-to-address-this-in-future-64868	Researchers found less than 1% of published research papers around the time of Zika and Ebola outbreaks, and that related to the outbreaks, actually explored their gendered impact. Research that examines the gendered inequality of public health emergencies must be conducted to inform future international responses.

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BBC News, 6 April 2020	Coronavirus: 'Under-25s and women financially worst-hit'	https://www.bbc.com/news/business-52176666	<p>The IFS found that the virus lockdown was likely to hit younger workers the hardest, being nearly two-and-a-half times more likely to work in a shutdown area.</p> <p>But it also found that the virus was likely to have a bigger effect on women's earnings because of a disproportionate amount of women working in retail and hospitality, with 17% of female employees working in shutdown sectors compared with 13% of men.</p>
Federatie Medisch Specialisten 8 April 2020	ZonMw: Gendersverschillen bij COVID-19	https://www.demedischspecialist.nl/nieuws/zonmw-gendersverschillen-bij-covid-19	In Dutch, about the why men are hit harder by Covid-19 than women.
Medium, 8 April 2020	Property Pimps: What to Do If Your Landlord Pressures Sex for Rent During COVID-19	https://medium.com/@kharajabolacarolus/what-to-do-if-your-landlord-presents-sex-during-covid-19-b90256c211a	Landlords coercing women who cannot pay their rent to have sex
Vox, 8 April 2020	Hospitals are cutting staff just when America needs them most	https://www.vox.com/2020/4/8/21213995/coronavirus-us-layoffs-furloughs-hospitals	"The American health care workforce is being squeezed from two sides: by the coronavirus itself and a shortage of protective gear but also by the economic crisis, which is driving physician practices and now some hospitals to furlough or lay off staff at the very moment they are most needed."
IntraHealth, 8 April 2020	Big Changes Needed to Recruit and Retain Young Nurses, in Kenya and Beyond	https://www.intrahealth.org/vital/big-changes-needed-recruit-and-retain-young-nurses-kenya-and-beyond	Gender inequality and the low status of nursing, and its consequences for this crisis
Trouw, 9 April 2020	Opinie: Of je vrouw of man bent, kan veel uitmaken in en na de coronacrisis	https://www.trouw.nl/opinie/of-je-vrouw-of-man-bent-kan-veel-uitmaken-in-en-na-de-coronacrisis~ba952ac92/?utm_campaign=shared_earned&utm_medium=social&utm_source=copylink	In Dutch. Opinion written by NVG&G about the importance of awareness of gender differences in research and policy during and after the Coronacrisis.
Women Deliver 9 April 2020	Global Health Security: Delivered by Women During COVID-19 and Beyond	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9At0j07G7-o	This webinar highlights perspectives on a people-centric and human rights-based approach to health security that is focused on delivering health for all through stronger health systems, a properly-equipped and financed health workforce, and responding to health crises while maintaining core women's health services. Speakers

			shared recommendations and actions to propel advocacy to support investments in and commitments to women in the health workforce.
VOX 9 april 2020	Why are fewer women dying from the coronavirus?	https://www.vox.com/2020/4/9/21215063/coronavirus-covid-19-deaths-men-women-sex-dying-why	What we know about Covid-19's death rates in men and women.
Reuters, 9 April 2020	In Uganda, mothers in labour die amidst coronavirus lockdown	https://www.reuters.com/article/us-health-coronavirus-uganda/in-uganda-mothers-in-labour-die-amidst-coronavirus-lockdown-idUSKCN21R2FA?mkt_tok=eyJpIjoiWWpReE9XSXhOV1poTWpjeSlsInQiOiJFQmdkbXVamRGSDR0V2NTNTROdnpiZWNNckV2MlITc3czZ21ZNVwvbk51TXlOQU8zcEhKbUt1eGRKUjg2cFwvU285cFBEaEJtcGczNctSaktLdXFCQ3Nxa25OSH3aGNVVK2FZbDZFSitPU0I0eUpLWmdxTWI4c3pubm5YmNHNzdtIn0%3D	Women died in labour because they could not reach the hospital due to travel ban
SFGate, 9 April 2020	UN chief warns COVID-19 is increasing inequality for women	https://www.sfgate.com/news/article/UN-chief-warns-COVID-19-is-increasing-inequality-15190666.php	The U.N. chief said in a video message and policy paper that “across every sphere, from health to the economy, security to social protection, the impacts of COVID-19 are exacerbated for women and girls simply by virtue of their sex.”
The Conversation, 9 April 2020	Coronavirus reveals just how deep macho stereotypes run through society	https://theconversation.com/coronavirus-reveals-just-how-deep-macho-stereotypes-run-through-society-134968	The UK government and its nearly all male “war-cabinet”, for example, declared “war” on the coronavirus. This is a <u>problematic analogy</u> as what is mainly needed to tackle COVID-19 is care, social solidarity and community support – <u>not fighting and violence</u> .
The Week, 9 April 2020	OPINION: The gendered impact of COVID-19 in India	https://www.theweek.in/news/india/2020/04/09/opinion-the-gendered-impact-of-covid-19-in-india.html	About the intersections between class, caste and gender and COVID in India.

Volkskrant 10 April 2020	Opinie: Vrouwelijk perspectief ontbreekt in crisistijd	https://www.volkskrant.nl/columns/-opinie/opinie-vrouwelijk-perspectief-ontbreekt-in-crisistijd~b1df51b8/?fbclid=IwAR1kcrvjXpZleb2wCKM44V8URLbKRF5VgH7odXyRjiMrqbP4UefReNyyStQ	In Dutch. It is frightening women are missing in the highest ranks where the decisions are made.
NPR, 10 April 2020	The New Coronavirus Appears To Take A Greater Toll On Men Than On Women	https://www.npr.org/sections/goatsandsoda/2020/04/10/831883664/the-new-coronavirus-appears-to-take-a-greater-toll-on-men-than-on-women	Focus on the immune system While women's extra X chromosome is generally silenced, Sabra Klein says, "almost around 10% of those genes, they can be activated. Many of those genes are actually immune-response genes."
The Guardian, 10 April	Declare abortion a public health issue during pandemic, WHO urged	https://www.theguardian.com/global-development/2020/apr/10/declare-abortion-a-public-health-issue-during-pandemic-who-urged	Charities press World Health Organization to ensure women can get contraception and safe abortions during crisis
IPS (Inter Press Service New Agency) 10 april 2020	Gender and COVID-19: Where Can Research Help? Opinion	https://www.ipsnews.net/2020/04/gender-covid-19-can-research-help/	In addition to understanding the kinds of gender differences at times of pandemics like COVID-19, research can play a much more long-term role. It can play a critical part in documenting and studying the long-term impacts of the pandemic and suggesting ways to ensure that systems protect women and girls during pandemics.
660News, 10 April 2020	Broader gender focus needed for COVID-19 response, advocates say	https://www.660citynews.com/2020/04/10/broader-gender-focus-needed-for-covid-19-response-advocates-say/	Canada is going to make GBA on its policies
The Lancet editorial 11 April 2020	The gendered dimension of the COVID-19 pandemic.	https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)30823-0/fulltext	SARS-CoV-2 does not discriminate, but without careful consideration, the global response to the COVID-19 pandemic might.
The Jakarta Post, 11 April 2020	COVID-19: Gender lens needed to fight pandemic - Opinion	https://www.thejakartapost.com/academia/2020/04/11/covid-19-gender-lens-needed-to-fight-pandemic.html	Crisis situations intensify gender inequality.

The Guardian, 11 April 2020	The secret weapon in the fight against coronavirus: women	https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2020/apr/11/secret-weapon-fight-against-coronavirus-women?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	“What is true, however, is that women generally have to be better in order to <i>become</i> leaders; we are held to far higher standards than men. Women are rarely able to fail up in the way men can; you have to be twice as good as a man in order to be taken half as seriously.”
The Guardian, 11 April 2020	Coronavirus pandemic exacerbates inequalities for women, UN warns	https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/apr/11/un-coronavirus-pandemic-gender-inequalities-women?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	“There is no single society where we’ve achieved equality between men and women, and so this pandemic is being layered on top of existing inequalities, and it’s exacerbating those inequalities,” Nahla Valji, the UN’s senior gender adviser to the executive office of the secretary general, told the Guardian.
RTL Nieuws, 11 April 2020	Rechter verbiedt ondanks coronacrisis abortuspil per post	https://www.rtlnieuws.nl/nieuws/nederland/artikel/5088361/corona-maatregelen-quarantaine-abortuspil-post-rechter	In Dutch. Abortion pill, despite the corona crisis, not allowed according to judge.
The Guardian, 11 April	Memo to the UK: women’s voices can also be useful in this crisis	https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2020/apr/11/memo-to-the-uk-womens-voices-can-also-be-useful-in-this-crisis?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	About risk taking in men and what if women had made up half of the decision makers about the pandemic in the UK
The Guardian, 12 April	Revealed: surge in domestic violence during Covid-19 crisis	https://www.theguardian.com/society/2020/apr/12/domestic-violence-surges-seven-hundred-per-cent-uk-coronavirus?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	The UK’s largest domestic abuse charity, Refuge, has reported a 700% increase in calls to its helpline in a single day, while a separate helpline for perpetrators of domestic abuse seeking help to change their behaviour received 25% more calls after the start of the Covid-19 lockdown.
Huffpost 12 April 2020	As Nation Stays Home, Early Indicators Suggest Rise In Domestic Violence Killings	https://www.huffpost.com/entry/increase-domestic-violence-killings-coronavirus-stay-at-home_n_5e907808c5b63e73d7e38fe7	While the death toll of the coronavirus pandemic mounts, another list of casualties is steadily increasing out of sight.

NBC News, 12 April 2020	Working on coronavirus vaccine trials, Kizzmekia Corbett is 'not your average' scientist	https://www.nbcnews.com/news/nbcblk/scientist-kizzmekia-corbett-leads-way-covid-19-vaccine-trials-dedication-n1181626	About a young black female research fellow whose work prepared her well for developing a vaccine right now
Huffington Post, 12 April	Alabama Can't Ban Abortions As Part Of COVID-19 Response, Judge Rules	https://www.huffpost.com/entry/alabama-abortion-ban-blocked-coronavirus_n_5e93e0f3c5b6765e956378fa	Court rules that abortion cannot be banned in Alabama under Covid rules
NYT, 12 April 2020	Hope, and New Life, in a Brooklyn Maternity Ward Fighting Covid-19	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/04/12/nyregion/coronavirus-births-mothers.html?referringSource=articleShare	Nearly 200 babies have arrived since the beginning of March, according to Dr. Byer. Twenty-nine pregnant or delivering women have had suspected or confirmed cases of Covid-19, the disease caused by the virus. They have been kept separate from other patients, and medical workers wear protective clothing when attending to them. Hallways where women walked as they endured labor are empty, with the mothers-to-be confined to their rooms. Multiple doctors and nurses in the department have fallen ill.
BBC News, 13 April	Coronavirus: When home gets violent under lockdown in Europe	https://www.bbc.com/news/world-europe-52216966	Violence against women is spiking, and in several European countries women can get to pharmacies where they can order a Mask-19, codeword for that they need help because they are in a violent situation
BBC, 13 April 2020	Why Covid-19 is different for men and women	https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20200409-why-covid-19-is-different-for-men-and-women	This article describes why there are different outcomes for men and women, not just in terms of their health.

Corona and intersectional inequality

Observations, opinions, statistics and news updates about the corona outbreak and social and medical disparities across the globe

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Mike Jennings, blogpost, 24 May 2020	When Corona hits Sub-Saharan Africa it will have detrimental impact on people's lives and livelihoods	https://mikejennings101.wordpress.com/2020/03/24/covid-19-and-sub-saharan-africa-a-tragedy-in-waiting/	Sub-Saharan countries are likely to suffer from both the medical and economic impact of the virus. This post outlines why.
Alex Broadbent and Benjamin Smart (Univ. Johannesburg, SA), 24 March 2020	Why a one-size-fits-all approach can have lethal consequences.	http://theconversation.com/why-a-one-size-fits-all-approach-to-covid-19-could-have-lethal-consequences-134252	How an emergency response that does not take into account global inequalities can even further harm people in vulnerable situations.
UN, n.d.	UN working to ensure vulnerable groups not left behind in COVID-19 response	https://www.un.org/en/un-coronavirus-communications-team/un-working-ensure-vulnerable-groups-not-left-behind-covid-19	"Women, children, people with disabilities, the marginalized and the displaced, all pay the highest price in conflicts and are also most at risk of suffering devastating losses from COVID-19" (Antonio Guterres)
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National Center for Transgender Equality, 4 March 2020	The coronavirus (COVID-19) guide	https://transequality.org/covid19	COVID-19, also referred to as novel coronavirus, is a new virus, and there is still much to learn about the severity of this outbreak. However, we know that transgender people and their families may have a lot of questions about how they can properly face this public health threat. Transgender people must be aware of particular risks of the coronavirus.
IFRC, 17 March 2020	How to consider protection, gender and inclusion in the response to COVID-19	https://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/wp-content/uploads/sites/5/2020/03/Technical-guidance-note-for-PGI-and-health-staff-17March20.pdf	"Like all crises, the COVID outbreak will affect people differently based on their sex, gender and other factors, including age, disability, sexual orientation, health status, legal status, ethnicity, and other aspects of the person. Emergencies exacerbate existing gender inequalities, and the incidence of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV), violence against children can be expected to increase. Marginalized groups are highly likely to be more adversely affected by the outbreak and the consequences of the response. "Protection, gender and inclusion" (PGI) refers to all Red Cross Red Crescent actions which address violence, discrimination or exclusion, in all contexts where National Societies work. This guidance note outlines issues that may threaten people's dignity, access, participation and safety and suggests actions to address these threats."
GenderSpectrum, 26 March 2020	Supporting Gender Expansive Students in the Time of Covid-19	https://www.genderspectrum.org/blog/supporting-gender-expansive-students-in-the-time-of-covid-19/	In the best of times, transgender and nonbinary youth often face a hostile world where it is a challenge to just be who they are. This is especially so when it comes to health-related issues, including accessing care.

WOMEN Inc., 3 april 2020	Wat is de impact van de coronacrisis op verschillende mensen?	https://www.womeninc.nl/nieuwsbericht/wat-is-de-impact-van-de-coronacrisis-op-verschillende-mensen?fbclid=IwAR3he_FiZ-ZnRgnqgqojxTUo0eqVB5G_MhkOWCEw6cpOm4uFis5fMWFaO7M	In Dutch: WOMEN Inc. explores social identities in relation to the coronacrisis – burden of care, unpaid and paid care work by women, effects of measures such as school closures for equal opportunities, sex differences in the immune system and mortality, but also stereotyping and stigma
Human Rights Campaign Foundation, n.d.	The lives and livelihoods of many in the LGBTQ community are at risk amidst the COVID-19 crisis	https://assets2.hrc.org/files/assets/resources/COVID19-IssueBrief-032020-FINAL.pdf	This brief will summarize the ways in which COVID-19 could adversely affect the lives and livelihoods of the LGBTQ community at disproportionate rates. (...) in addition to the greater risk of health complications as a result of COVID-19, LGBTQ Americans are more likely than the general population to live in poverty and lack access to adequate medical care, paid medical leave, and basic necessities during the pandemic.
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NOS 8 April 2020	Zwarte gemeenschap VS harder getroffen door corona	https://nos.nl/l/2329883	Black community in US hit harder by Corona
Outright Action Internationa (Human Rights for LGBTIQ People Everywhere) 8 April 2020	OutRight Launches COVID-19 LGBTIQ Global Emergency Fund	https://outrightinternational.org/content/outright-launches-covid-19-lgbtqi-global-emergency-fund	OutRight Action International has launched the OutRight COVID-19 Global LGBTIQ Emergency Fund. The fund will offer emergency financial resources to LGBTIQ organizations around the world who are serving people impacted by COVID-19, and support OutRight’s work to document and respond to the impacts of the crisis on LGBTIQ communities. The first disbursement of \$100,000 opens for applications on April 8, 2020.
The Guardian, 8 April 2020	'It's a racial justice issue': Black Americans are dying in greater numbers from Covid-19	https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/apr/08/its-a-racial-justice-issue-black-americans-are-dying-in-greater-numbers-from-covid-19?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	The coronavirus can infect anybody but African Americans are dying in disproportionate numbers, especially in certain big cities
The Guardian, 9 April	A tale of two New Yorks: pandemic lays bare a city's shocking inequities	https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2020/apr/10/new-york-coronavirus-inequality-divide-two-cities?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	<p>“Our patients are coming in with all of the comorbidities associated with poverty and racism – diabetes, asthma, hypertension. We have patients who are sicker and more likely to die because their lives have been conditioned by these chronic illnesses.”</p> <p>Reliable data has been hard to come by, as both city and state authorities resisted for several weeks releasing official figures on the grounds that the subject of disparities was less important than keeping hospitals afloat.</p>