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- God’s Promises for Single Women
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- Forgiveness and Boundaries
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• Dealing with Destruction Under our Roof
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• Biblical Submission
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• Brochures from the Links (See the ink below on resources)
• Taking a Stand against Practices that Harm Women

Web Sites - Resources

Government

• UK Home Office - Domestic Violence –  http://www.homeoffice.gov.uk
• Guidelines for Good Practice on Parental Contact in cases where there is Domestic Violence, UK –  www.dca.gov.uk/family

International

• Hot Peach Pages world-wide list of agencies –  http://hotpeachpages.net
• EarthWords abuse info in over 70 languages –  http://endabuse.org/bpi
• Building Partnerships Initiative to End Men's Violence –  http://europa.eu.int
• European Campaign Against Domestic Violence  http://www.amnesty.org/actforwomen
• Stop Violence Against Women-  http://www.amnesty.org/actforwomen
• Amnesty International-  http://www.amnesty.org/actforwomen

General

• http://www.lilaclane.com/relationships/emotional-abuse/links.html
• http://www.endabuse.org/links/
• http://www.mjbovo.com/AbuseLinks.htm
• National Network to End Domestic Violence –  http://www.nnedv.org
Useful Links

- Getting through medical examinations: a resource for women survivors of abuse and their health care providers: [http://www.cwhn.ca/resources/csa/](http://www.cwhn.ca/resources/csa/) - Provides information to health care providers and abuse survivors to make the medical encounter easier for both parties.
- Rape crisis centres & transition houses: [http://www.casac.ca/avcentres/crisis_centres.htm](http://www.casac.ca/avcentres/crisis_centres.htm) - Lists crisis centres and transition houses for every Canadian province and territory.
- University of Alberta Sexual Assault Centre: [http://www.ualberta.ca/~uasac/](http://www.ualberta.ca/~uasac/) - Offers information on rape trauma syndrome, acquaintance assault, stalking and the impact violence has on relationships.
- Preventing sexual assault: [http://www.canadian-healthnetwork.ca/html/newnotable/may1a_2002e.html](http://www.canadian-healthnetwork.ca/html/newnotable/may1a_2002e.html) - Explains sexual assault as defined in Canadian law. Lists and discusses specific 'date rape' drugs.
Offers advice to those who suspect they might have been drugged and sexually assaulted. Outlines the seven steps to prevent a sexual assault.

- **Sexual assault: dispelling the myths** - [http://www.womanabuseprevention.com/html/sexual_assault.html](http://www.womanabuseprevention.com/html/sexual_assault.html) - Lists and challenges various myths about rape. Explores the arguments surrounding the issue of sexual assault and offers 'facts to consider'.
- **When your partner has been sexually abused: a guide for partners** - [http://www.hsc.gc.ca/hppb/familyviolence/pdfs/partner.pdf](http://www.hsc.gc.ca/hppb/familyviolence/pdfs/partner.pdf) - Gives guidance to individuals whose intimate partner was sexually abused as a child or teenager. Provides personal accounts that describe what survivors and their partners may experience at different stages in the recovery process.
- **Why you should know about date rape** - [http://www.cafv.inet2000.com/Handouts/CY/WhyYouShouldKnowAboutDateRape.htm](http://www.cafv.inet2000.com/Handouts/CY/WhyYouShouldKnowAboutDateRape.htm) - Provides rape-related statistics. Explores various myths associated with sexual assault.
- **Abuse information in many languages** - [http://www.hotpeachpages.org/languages/languages.html](http://www.hotpeachpages.org/languages/languages.html) - Provides information about sexual assault and violence against women in 26 different languages.

### Resources & Materials

- [http://au.geocities.com/tigrispoet/abusepoems.htm](http://au.geocities.com/tigrispoet/abusepoems.htm)
- [http://www.lsnf.org/brochures/ea.pdf](http://www.lsnf.org/brochures/ea.pdf) - (Elder Abuse Brochure)
- [http://www.sace.ab.ca/SexualAssault.pdf](http://www.sace.ab.ca/SexualAssault.pdf) - (Sexual Assault Brochure)
- [http://www.sace.ab.ca/Internet%20Safety.pdf](http://www.sace.ab.ca/Internet%20Safety.pdf) - (Internet Safe Brochure)
- [http://www.sace.ab.ca/AMAC.pdf](http://www.sace.ab.ca/AMAC.pdf) - (Adults Molested as Children)
• [http://www.camh.net/About_Addiction_Mental_Health/Mental_Health_Information/women_signs_abusetrauma.pdf](http://www.camh.net/About_Addiction_Mental_Health/Mental_Health_Information/women_signs_abusetrauma.pdf) (Abuse Trauma Brochure)
• [http://www.co.pg.md.us/Government/AgencyIndex/Domestic/Elder_Abuse_Brochure_PM7.pdf](http://www.co.pg.md.us/Government/AgencyIndex/Domestic/Elder_Abuse_Brochure_PM7.pdf) (Elder Abuse Brochure)
• [http://www.abanet.org/srlawyers/docs/preventingelderabuse.pdf](http://www.abanet.org/srlawyers/docs/preventingelderabuse.pdf) (Elder Abuse Brochure)
• [http://www.uhh.hawaii.edu/~eeoa/ssexual_harassment.html](http://www.uhh.hawaii.edu/~eeoa/ssexual_harassment.html) (Sexual Harassment Brochure)

**En Español**

• [http://www.abanet.org/tips/safetips2.html](http://www.abanet.org/tips/safetips2.html)
• [http://www.fundacionmujeres.es/fondo/](http://www.fundacionmujeres.es/fondo/)
• [http://www.nodo50.org/mujeresred/violencia.htm](http://www.nodo50.org/mujeresred/violencia.htm)

**Books on line**

**Ending Violence Against Women**

This handbook, intended primarily for development practitioners, provides practical points to consider when designing and implementing projects addressing violence against women. It is a collection of good practices drawn from ten case studies described in a complementary volume [Programming to Address Violence Against Women](http://www.camh.net/). The approaches are based on an appreciation of culture and the role it plays in this issue.

**Author:** UNFPA  
**Publication date:** 2007  
**Languages:** English
Safe teen: powerful alternatives to violence (2001)
Author: Roberts, Anita. Call no. 155.518
Suitable for teachers, counselors and teens, this book takes a broad look at violence, examining its roots, identifying behaviours, and suggesting strategies.

Ten Talks Parents Must Have with their Children About Violence (2000)
Author: Cappello, Dominic. Call no. 649.1
Written by a parent educator and policy advocate on school violence, this series of ten talks about violence includes real-life scenarios to which children can relate.

The Emotional Terrorist and the Violence-Prone
Author: Pizzey, Erin Call no.v362.8292(2000)
Written by the founder of the first refuge for battered wives in 1971. This book argues that not every battered woman is simply a victim.

Author: Jones, Kathleen B. Call no. 362.82920973
Is there a profile for victims of domestic violence? This true story compels us to accept the fact that any woman can become such a victim.
To be an anchor in the storm: a guide for families and friends of abused women (1997)
Author: Brewster, Susan. Call no. 362.82920973
This guide is for those who want to help a friend or loved one escape a violent relationship. Learn to recognize the signs of abuse, how to deal with your own feelings, and how to intervene in a way that will help, not hurt.

Keeping the Faith: Guidance for Christian Women Facing Abuse
Author: Marie M. Fortune
Publisher: Harper Collins
The Psalmist knew what it was like to call out to God for help in the midst of trouble..." This book is written to remind you that God is present to you always. He understands your pain…

Battered Woman
Author: Lenore E. Walker 
Publisher: Harper Perenial
"The battering of women, like other crimes of violence against women, has been shrouded in myths..." The book offers sections on preventive education, remedies and a careful discussion on the subject. It a sensible, compassionate book.

Dating Violence – What you should know
By Channing Bete Company
Publisher: Channing Bete Company
www.channing-bete.com
Description: The booklet talks about facts regarding dating violence and its forms.
About Dating Violence
By Channing Bete Company
Publisher: Channing Bete Company
Description: Learn how you can build and enjoy healthy relationships throughout your lifetime.

Date Rape
By Winters Communication
Publisher: Winters Communications, INC
Description: The booklet explores all the real facts about rape and how to deter a rape attempt.

Abuse - Sexual Harassment
By Winters Communications
Publisher: Winters Communications INC
Description: What it is sexual harassment, how to deal with the problem, helping peers deal with the problem, learning about attitude.

About Rape and its Prevention
By Winters Communications
Publisher: Winters Communications INC
Description: The booklet presents many topics as such as Learning about sexual assault, common myths about rape, prevention in the home, potential hazards areas, general precautions and more.
Avoiding Sexual Coercion
By Channing Bete Company
Publisher: Channing Bete Company
www.channing-bet.com
Description: Brochure with information about facts you should know concerning what is sexual coercion, avoid unwanted sex, recognize sexual coercion and more.

Dating Violence
By Channing Bete Company
Publisher: Channing Bete Company
www.channing-bet.com
Description: Brochure with information about facts you should know concerning dating violence and its effects.

The Path to Sexual Healing
Author: By Linda Cochrane
Publisher: Baker House
Sexual sin has infiltrated the Christian community, leaving suffering and scarred lives in its wake. Where can believers go to find healing? Designed for victims of sexual abuse and those who've hurt others by sexual trauma, this sensitive, honest Bible study features meditations, Scripture memory verses, and discussion questions to promote healing and restoration.

It Shouldn’t Hurt to be a Kid
Author: By Patricia H. Rushford
Publisher: Spire, 221 pages.
Every day, children are harmed by physical or emotional abuse and neglect. Rushford's practical guide empowers concerned adults to stop the cycle. Learn how parents, caregivers, pastors, and teachers can report suspected abuse, build nurturing relationships with hurt children, and prevent destructive patterns from recurring in future generations.
Journey Beyond Abuse: A Step-By-Step Guide to Facilitating Women's Domestic Abuse Groups (Paperback)
Author: Kay-Laurel Fischer, Michael F. McGrane
Publisher: Amherst H. Wilder Foundation; 1 edition (June 1997)
A rich resource, clear and precise. An important tool to a facilitator in all phases of a battered women's group."
"This book should be used as a guide by all who daily confront this unspeakable tragedy."

Sexual Abuse in Christian Homes and Churches (Paperback)
Author: Carolyn Holderread Heggen
Publisher: Harper Perennial
For Christians who are willing to stop and listen to victims, this is a valuable resource.

Violence Against Women and Children: A Christian Theological Sourcebook (Paperback)
Authors: Carol J. Adams , Marie M. Fortune
Publisher: Continuum International Publishing Group
The authors assert the need for a comprehensive examination of sexual and domestic violence, within Christian theological education.

Verbally Abusive Relationship 2ND Edition
Author: Evans, Patricia
Publisher: Adams Media Corporation
Discusses the potential damage of verbal abuse, how to identify a problem relationship, and how to change or leave such relationships....
Stolen Tomorrows
Author: Levenkron, Steven
Publisher: W. W. Norton & Company
An examination of the psychology of victims of sexual abuse, Levenkron encourages the women who have been abused to think about, talk about, and seek help for what has been their secret shame. Giving empathic insight, survivors may come to overcome the legacy of abuse.

The Courage to Heal
Author: Davis, Laura
Publisher: Harper Perennial
The Courage to Heal is an inspiring, comprehensive guide that offers hope and encouragement to every woman who was sexually abused as a child - and those who care about her. Although the effects of child sexual abuse are long-term and severe, healing is possible. The authors weave personal experience with professional knowledge to show the reader how she can come to terms with her past while moving powerfully into the future.

Refuge from Abuse: Healing and Hope for Abused Christian Women (Paperback)
Author: by Nancy Nason-Clark, Catherine Clark Kroeger
Publisher: InterVarsity Press (September 2004)
Nancy-Nason Clark and Catherine Clark Kroeger know the pain of women who have been abused, especially the unique pain of Christian women who thought it couldn't happen to them. In this straightforward, practical book they supply the answers to the questions you face: How do I know I need help? How much of my story should I tell? What help can I find in the community? What key steps will I need to take to get on with my life? How can I understand what help my abuser needs? How do I learn to trust God again?
Violence Against Women
Violence against women is an obstacle to the achievement of the objectives of equality, development and peace. Violence against women both violates and impairs or nullifies the enjoyment by women of their human rights and fundamental freedoms.

- **November 25: International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women**

- **Secretary-General's in-depth study on violence against women**
  Released on 9 Oct 2006, the UN Secretary-General's in-depth study on violence against women aims to: highlight the persistence and unacceptability of all forms of violence against women in all parts of the world; strengthen the political commitment and joint efforts of all stakeholders to prevent and eliminate violence against women; and identify ways and means to ensure more sustained and effective implementation of State obligations to address all forms of violence against women.

- **Men's Roles and Responsibilities in Ending Gender Based Violence**
  [www.un-instraw.org](http://www.un-instraw.org) Languages: English
  The site is meant to help exchange ideas, resources, stories and queries, and to achieve the objectives of the programme. It contains overview, programme objectives, working papers, virtual seminar series and resource room.

- **A Life Free of Violence: It's Our Right**
  [www.undp.org](http://www.undp.org) Languages: English | Spanish
  United Nations Inter-Agency Campaign on Women's Human Rights in Latin America and the Caribbean.

- **UNIFEM Trust Fund in support of actions to eliminate violence against women**
  [www.unifem.org](http://www.unifem.org) Languages: English
  The Trust Fund established at UNIFEM, was created by the UN General Assembly in response to the urgent call for action on these issues that emanated from Beijing. The Trust Fund is an important and strategic part of UNIFEM's work on gender-based violence. The Fund's primary goal is to identify and support innovative projects aimed specifically at preventing and eliminating violence against women.

- **Good practices in combating and eliminating violence against women (Expert Group Meeting 2005, UN DAW)**
  [www.un.org](http://www.un.org) Languages: English
  This report of the expert group meeting gives a global picture of violence against...
women, highlights best practice and lays out recommendations in the areas of law, prevention and provision of services.

- **Online Discussion: Galvanizing action to combat violence against women** *(October 2005, UN DAW)*
  [www.un.org](http://www.un.org) Languages: English
  The United Nations Division for the Advancement of Women hosted a three-week dialogue to galvanize action to combat violence against women as a contribution to the secretary-general's study on violence against women. The archived discussion is available for reading on the DAW website.

- **Elimination of Violence Against Women web-site of UNIFEM East and South East Asia**
  [www.unifem-eseasia.org](http://www.unifem-eseasia.org) Languages: English

- **WHO database on violence against women**
  [www5.who.int](http://www5.who.int) Languages: English
  Violence Against Women Information Pack provided by WHO Department of Injuries and Violence Prevention. The package focuses on violence in families, rape and sexual assault, violence against women in situations of conflict and displacement, as well as violence against the girl child.

- **Homepage of Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights on violence against women, its causes and consequences**
  [www.unhchr.ch](http://www.unhchr.ch) Languages: English | French | Spanish

- **Statistics: Gender Violence in Latin America and the Caribbean**
  [www.eclac.cl](http://www.eclac.cl) Languages: English | Spanish
  The Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean (ECLAC) has released new statistics on gender violence that show the magnitude and complexity of the discriminatory treatment faced by women and the violations of their human rights. UN ECLAC, 2006.

  [www.unifem.org](http://www.unifem.org) Languages: English | French | Spanish | Arabic | Chinese | Russian
  This report to the forty-ninth session of the Commission on the Status of Women and the sixty-first session of the Commission on Human Rights documents the activities undertaken by UNIFEM in 2004 to help eliminate violence against women. UNIFEM, 2005

- **Female Genital Mutilation and Obstetric Outcome: WHO study**
  [www.who.int](http://www.who.int) Languages: English
  Reliable evidence about the effect of female genital mutilation (FGM) on obstetric outcome is scarce. This WHO collaborative prospective study in six
African countries examines the effect of different types of FGM on obstetric outcome.

- **Violence against women, causes and costs of a global curse**
  [www.un.org] Languages: **English**
  DESA NEWS - article, based on a statement of the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, to the General Assembly on 9 October 2006, in the context of the 2006 in-depth study on all forms of violence against women.

- **Uncounted and Discounted: A Secondary Data Research Project on Violence against Women in Afghanistan**
  [afghanistan.unifem.org] Languages: **English**
  As of yet there has been limited research regarding the nature and extent of violence against women in Afghanistan. The service-based research carried out for this report seeks to begin to fill this void. UNIFEM, 2006

  [www.un.org] Languages: **English**
  This issue examines steps taken by the UN to address the situation of women subjected to sexual violence during armed conflict since the Second World War. DAW, 1998

- **Sexual Violence Against Women and Girls in War and Its Aftermath: Realities, Responses, and Required Resources**
  [www.unfpa.org] Languages: **English**

- **Violence against and Trafficking in Women as Symptoms of Discrimination: The Potential of CEDAW as an Antidote**
  [www.unescap.org] Languages: **English**
  This paper reviews some of the key issues concerning trafficking of women and violence against women, discusses discrimination as a common thread, and explores the potential for the use of CEDAW as a tool to reduce trafficking in and violence against women. UNESCAP, 2005

- **Study: Violence against Women in Syria (UNIFEM, 2006)**
  [www.unifem.org] Languages: **English**
  UNIFEM and the General Union of Women released the first-ever comprehensive field study of violence against women in Syria in May 2006.

- **WHO Multi-country Study on Women's Health and Domestic Violence Against Women (September 2005)**
WHO study analysing data from interviews with over 24,000 women in countries representing diverse cultural, geographical and urban/rural settings - Bangladesh, Brazil, Ethiopia, Japan, Peru, Namibia, Samoa, Serbia and Montenegro, Thailand and the United Republic of Tanzania. The study uncovers the forms and patterns of violence against women across these locations and finds that violence from intimate male partners is a major contributor to women's ill-health.

  [www.path.org](http://www.path.org) Languages: English
  'Researching Violence Against Women' outlines the methodological and ethical challenges of researching violence against women and describes a range of techniques that can be used.

- **Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting: A statistical exploration (UNICEF, November 2005)**
  [www.unicef.org](http://www.unicef.org) Languages: English
  This UNICEF publication analyses available statistics on female genital mutilation/cutting, with the aim of improving understanding of related issues in the wider context of gender equality and social change.

- **Online Discussion: Violence against Women**
  [www.un.org](http://www.un.org) Languages: English
  From October 2004 to January 2005, WomenWatch hosted a series of online discussions on the Platform's critical areas of concern and other important issues to provide input into the review and appraisal of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. All postings and background notes are available for reading as archived online discussion.

- **Changing a Harmful Social Convention: Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting**
  [www.unicef-icdc.org](http://www.unicef-icdc.org) Languages: English | French | Spanish | Arabic
  UNICEF's Innocenti Digest examines the prevalence of FGM/C and its social dynamics. It provides an explanation as to why the practice persists and of the elements necessary for its abandonment. (UNICEF, 2005)

- **16 Days Against Gender Violence**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  UNFPA: Sixteen Days of Activism: Sixteen Days of Hope. Worldwide campaign from 25 November, the International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women, to 10 December, the International Human Rights Day. It provides NGOs, international organizations, governments, individuals and the media an opportunity to mobilize for women's rights and against impunity for perpetrators.

  [daccess-ods.un.org](http://daccess-ods.un.org) Languages:
Information on UNIFEM activities undertaken in 2003, including by the Trust Fund in Support of Actions to Eliminate Violence against Women, E/CN.6/2004/8

- **Not a Minute More: A Call to End Violence Against Women**
  [www.unifem.org](http://www.unifem.org) Languages: English
  The United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) announces a Call to the World to End Violence Against Women

- **UNFPA: Ending Widespread Violence Against Women**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  Overview of UNFPA activities to end violence against women

- **Declaration on the Elimination of Violence against Women**
  [www.unhchr.ch](http://www.unhchr.ch) Languages: English
  General Assembly resolution 48/104 of 20 December 1993

- **Violence against Women - Issues in focus**
  [www.unhchr.ch](http://www.unhchr.ch) Languages: English
  Violence against women both violates and impairs or nullifies the enjoyment by women of their human rights and fundamental freedoms. The OHCHR services and provides support to the mandate of the Special Rapporteur on violence against women, its causes and consequences.

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  [www.unifem.org](http://www.unifem.org) Languages: English
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- **2003: Stop Violence Against Women**
  [www.stopvaw.org](http://www.stopvaw.org) Languages: English
  Website developed by Minnesota Advocates for Human Rights in collaboration with the United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM) and the Open Society Institute's Network Women's Program (OSI).

- **Publications on the International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women**
  [www.un.org](http://www.un.org) Languages: English
  Dag Hammarskjöld Library presentation of brief history, links to relevant UN publications and UN and external web-sites on violence against women
1999: UN Designates Day for Eliminating Violence Against Women
[ www.unifem.org ] Languages: English
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• *Violence by Intimates* report US Bureau of Justice Statistics
ILLITERACY
Illiteracy

Articles

- Building Vibrant Communities
- Illiteracy a Global Problem
- Illiteracy Amongst Women
- China Has 55 Million Illiterate Women
- Countries with the lowest rates of Literacy
- Facts about Illiteracy
- Facts about Literacy
- Gender – Disparity Education
- Global Illiteracy USA
- Illiteracy – Facts
- International Literacy Day
- Illiteracy Around the World-May 2006
- Population growth and illiteracy
- Quick Facts
- Read more, Write Better – Get involved
- Statistics Show slow progress towards universal literacy
- Women and Illiteracy – Facts
- Women and Illiteracy
- Women and literacy
- World information
- World Illiteracy Rates
- Top 10 Countries in Illiteracy
- Illiteracy Rate Part of a Big Picture
- The Challenges of Youth
- Literacy: facts, Statistics and Quotes

Web Sites

International


- ECE - Economic Commission for Europe
- ECLAC - Economic Commission for Latin America and the Caribbean
- ESCAP - Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific
- ESCWA - Economic and Social Commission for Western Asia
- FAO Press Releases - UN Food and Agriculture Organization
- IAEA News Center - International Atomic Energy Agency
- ICAO Press Releases - International Civil Aviation Organization
- ICIJ - International Court of Justice
• ICTR News - International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda
• ICTY News - International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia
• IFAD - International Fund for Agricultural Development
• ILO Press - International Labour Organization
• IMF News - International Monetary Fund
• IMO News - International Maritime Organization
• IRIN - Integrated Regional Information Networks
• ITLOS News - International Tribunal for the Law of the Sea
• ITU Newsroom - International Telecommunication Union
• OCHA - UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs
• OHCHR Press Room - Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights
• Oil-for-Food
• ReliefWeb
• UNAIDS - Joint UN Programme on HIV/AIDS
• UNCTAD Press Releases - UN Conference on Trade and Development
• UNDP News Front - UN Development Programme
• UNEP - UN Environment Programme
• UNESCO Current Events - UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization
• UNFPA News & Information - UN Population Fund
• UN-HABITAT - UN Human Settlements Programme
• UNHCR News - UN High Commissioner for Refugees
• UNICEF Newsline - UN Children's Fund
• UNIDOscope - UN Industrial Development Organization
• UNIFEM Newsroom - UN Development Fund for Women
• UNODC News - UN Office on Drugs and Crime
• UNOG Press Releases - UN Office at Geneva
• UNRWA News - UN Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East
• UNU - United Nations University
• UPU - Universal Postal Union
• WFP Public Information - World Food Programme
• WHO Press Releases - World Health Organization
• WIPO News & Information Resources - World Intellectual Property Organization
• WMO - World Meteorological Organization
• World Bank Development News - World Bank
• WTO - World Tourism Organization

General

http://unjobs.org/topics/education/educational-policy-and-planning/illiteracy
• Women as Educators, and Women's Education in E-9 countries
   This synthetic study highlights the efforts of the E-9 countries to make the
   education of women a top priority for national action. Referring to numerous
   local, provincial and national initiatives and programmes being implemented, it
   covers aspects linked to the activities of women as educators in the family, in
   schools, in the community and in public life. A bibliography is included. More

• Gender parity: disparities and progress
   There are 875 million illiterates in the world in the year 2000, of which women
   still constitute almost two thirds, a proportion practically unchanged since 1990. More
• **Working and Inventing on the Streets of Africa**  
  Innovations for Youth, 1. [More](#)  

• **UNESCO Literacy Prizes - 1967-2001**  

• **Living Literacy**  
  Illiteracy is hardly felt outside the illiterate population. How many of us know what it is like to be an adult and illiterate in one’s own language? How many of us know an adult illiterate, for that matter? It is hard for most of us to imagine the humiliation, the frustration and the rage that illiterate people have to live with day after day. [More](#)  

• **The Challenge of Youth**  
  Adapted from a booklet prepared at a UNESCO-DANIDA workshop for the preparation of post-literacy materials and radio programmes for women and girls in Africa warning young people of the dangers of unprotected sexual relations - pregnancy, STDs and AIDS. [More](#)  

• **Changing Times, Changing Attitudes. Alternative Portrayals of Men and Women**  
  Thirteen stories adapted from radio programmes produced by media professionals in Kenya, South Africa, Tanzania, Togo, Uganda and Zambia used in UNESCO-DANIDA workshops for the production of gender-sensitive radio programmes. For use in non-formal education, these illustrated stories deal with topics such as HIV/AIDS, domestic violence, the exploitation of girls, negative effects of child marriages, and women's rights. [More](#)  

• **Education to Fight Exclusion**  
  This report sets out the findings of the UNESCO Special Project for the Enhancement of Learning and Training Opportunities for Youth since its launching in early 1996 to date. It analyses the educational approaches elaborated in a variety of rural and urban settings, the range of exclusion situations encountered, and seeks to describe what the Project's response has been on a philosophical and practical level. [More](#)  

• **From Blindness to Cash (Malawi)**  
  Adapted from a booklet drafted during a UNESCO-DANIDA workshop for the preparation of post-literacy materials and radio programmes for women and girls in Africa, raising the issue of women and literacy and how, once they can read and write, women can set up their own small businesses and generate income. [More](#)  

• **From Tears to Cheers (Zambia)**  
  Adapted from a booklet drafted during a UNESCO-DANIDA workshop for the preparation of post-literacy materials and radio programmes for women and girls in Africa, raising the issue of women and literacy and how, once they can read
and write women can set up their own small businesses and generate income.

- **Gender and Post-Literacy. A Non-Formal Education Approach to HIV/AIDS Prevention**
  This booklet describes the work and results of a hands-on awareness-raising workshop held in Mbabane, Swaziland for educators, health-care and communication professionals from Malawi, Swaziland and Zambia, to assist them in preparing post-literacy materials to persuade people to change their behaviour as far as practicing safe sex and promoting AIDS prevention activities is concerned.

- **Give Girls a Break (Gambia)**
  Adapted from a booklet drafted during a UNESCO-DANIDA workshop for the preparation of post-literacy materials and radio programmes for women and girls in Africa, raising the issue of early marriage and arranged marriages for young girls preventing them from continuing their education.

- **Guidelines on Gender-Neutral Language / Pour l’égalité des sexes dans le langage**
  This booklet came into being following a call to ensure the avoidance of gender-specific language at UNESCO. After a brief introduction it gives examples of gender-neutral phrasing, defines some concepts within the realm of the advancement of women and women's rights, inter alia, affirmative action, discrimination, gender equality and empowerment, before setting out suggestions for further reading.

- **Kaba’s Story (Togo)**
  Adapted from a booklet drafted during a UNESCO-DANIDA workshop for the preparation of post-literacy materials and radio programmes for women and girls in Africa, raising the issue of discrimination against people with HIV/AIDS.

**Books on Line**

**The Challenge of Illiteracy: From Reflection to Action**
*Author: Zaghloul Morsy*
*Publisher: Routledge; 1 edition (October 1, 1994)*
"After the Second World War, education underwent an unprecedented development which was particularly spectacular in the countries of the Third World..."
Power Tools for Literacy

Author: Verena Rau has a B.A. in English from the University of California and an M.A. in Education of Learning Disabled Children from Minnesota State University. Working in grades 4-8 for more than 25 years, Verena taught language arts and reading in regular and special education classes. She was the recipient of three Mentor-Teacher awards. Verena's background also includes teaching English as a second language to adults. Please email powertoolsforlit@sbcglobal.net

Literacy Sustains Development

A history of world-wide commitment to literacy

International Literacy Day was established in 1965 by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and is celebrated around the world each year on September 8. In 1990, the United Nations General Assembly gave a boost to world literacy by proclaiming International Literacy Year. This special Year signified the ongoing commitment of the world community to recognize and support literacy as a key to personal development and to the socio-economic progress of nations.

Human Development Report 2002

Author: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)

Publisher: Oxford University Press, USA; Rev Ed edition (July 15, 2002)

"Human development is about people, about expanding their choices to lead lives they value..."
Further Readings

All the Information below you will find going to:


- **2005-06 International Literacy Day 2005 - Women still left behind**
  About two-thirds of the world’s adult illiterate population are women, and in some regions nearly half of all women are reported to be illiterate.

- **2005-05 Gender parity in secondary education - are we there yet?**
  The time-bound goal set by the international community in the Millennium Development Goals requires that girls and boys should have equal access to primary and secondary education by 2005. Are we there yet?

- **2005-04 Making the transition to secondary education**
  Almost two-thirds of children worldwide are enrolled in secondary education, due mostly to a rapid expansion in secondary education in the 1990s. However, this figure hides major differences in participation between lower and upper secondary education.

- **2005-03 Education for All 2005**
  More children are going to school than ever before, but many drop out before grade 5 of primary school or graduate without mastering even a minimum set of cognitive skills, according to the Education for All Global Monitoring Report 2005.

- **Growth in the number of tertiary students worldwide since 1991**
  Source: Global Education Digest 2006, p.21.

- **How prevalent is the private sector in tertiary education systems throughout the world?**
  Source: Global Education Digest 2006, p.31.

- **Illiteracy rates by regions and sex - September 2006**
  Gender breakdown of illiteracy rates by world region

- **Illiteracy rates for Arab States - September 2006**
  Gender breakdown of illiteracy rates by region

- **Illiteracy rates for East Asia and the Pacific - September 2006**
  Gender breakdown of illiteracy rates of selected countries in East Asia and the Pacific

- **Illiteracy rates for Latin America and the Caribbean - September 2006**
  Gender breakdown of illiteracy rates of selected countries in Latin America and the Caribbean

- **Illiteracy rates for South and West Asia - September 2006**
  Gender breakdown of illiteracy rates of selected countries in South and West Asia
• **Illiteracy rates for sub-Saharan Africa - September 2006**
  Gender breakdown of illiteracy rates of selected countries in sub-Saharan Africa.

• **What share of students study abroad?**
  Source: Global Education Digest 2006, p.37.

• **What share of the adult population attained at least some tertiary qualifications?**
  Source: Global Education Digest 2006, p.11.

• **Where do mobile students come from? How has this changed from 1999 to 2004?**
  Source: Global Education Digest 2006, p.38.

• **Where do mobile students go?**
  Source: Global Education Digest 2006, p.47.

• **Which countries have the most or least students studying abroad?**
  Source: Global Education Digest 2006, p.40.

• **Which countries receive the highest shares of mobile students?**
LACK OF TRAINING, MENTORING, AND LEADERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES
Lack of Training

**Articles**

- Lack of Choice Jeopardizes Women’s Health and Lives
- Absence of Women from Leadership positions undermines democracy
- Actions – Girls education
- Education and Training of Women UN
- Empowering Women through Education
- Empowering Women
- Fact Sheet – Education
- Giving special attention to girls and adolescents
- History Women’s Day
- Human Rights and Education
- Investing in Women
- Lack of Progress
- Options and Opportunities
- Women and Education
- Women in Decision
- Women in Power and Decision Making
- Women issues Resource Sites
- The Gender Gap in Education
- When Girls go Missing From the Classroom
- Asia: The Role of Women’s Workload
- Women Work Long Hours
- The Difference: Gender and Leadership
- Discrimination: Lack of Education
- Women Education in India
- The United Nations: Education and Training
- Lack of Education: Put Teens in Danger
- Women’s Rights
- Stop Violence Against Women – Education
- Women, Education, and Poverty
- Education and Development

**Web Sites**

**International**

http://www.choike.org/nuevo_eng/informes/
http://www.unesco.org/courier/2001_05/uk/education.htm
http://www.unesco.org/education/
Education and Training of Women

Education is a human right and an essential tool for achieving the goals of equality, development and peace. Non-discriminatory education benefits both girls and boys and thus ultimately contributes to more equal relationships between women and men.

- **UNESCO Sector for Culture: Gender Mainstreaming**
  [www.unesco.org](http://www.unesco.org) Languages: [English](http://www.unesco.org) | [French](http://www.unesco.org)
  Reference Sources in Culture

- **Women, Science, Technology**
  [www.unesco.org](http://www.unesco.org) Languages: [English](http://www.unesco.org) | [French](http://www.unesco.org)
  Pages on women and science and technology - with links to forums and other resources

- **FAO: Gender and Education, Extension and Communication**
  Statistics, programmes, documents and fact files

- **Online Discussion: Education and Training of Women and the Girl-child**
  From October 2004 to January 2005, WomenWatch hosted a series of online discussions on the Platform's critical areas of concern and other important issues to provide input into the review and appraisal of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. All postings and background notes are available for reading as archived online discussion.

- **ILO International Training Center: Gender equity and women's empowerment**
  [www.itcilo.it](http://www.itcilo.it) Languages: [English](http://www.itcilo.it)

- **UNICEF: Girls’ education**
  [www.unicef.org](http://www.unicef.org) Languages: [English](http://www.unicef.org)

- **UN DPI: Empowering Women Through Education**
  UN Chronicle, 1999-2003
• **UNESCO**: Issues Paper on Inclusion of Gender Perspectives in Family Education  
  [www.unescobkk.org] Languages: **English**  
  2003, PDF

• **UNESCO**: Institute for Statistics: Gender and Education for All - The Leap to Equality  
  [www.uis.unesco.org] Languages: **English** | **French** | **Spanish** | **Russian**  

• **UNRISD**: Gender and Education: A Review of Issues for Social Policy  
  [www.unrisd.org] Languages: **English**  
  Overview of key issues relating to the achievement of gender equality in education, 2002

• **UNESCO Institute for Statistics**: Gender-Sensitive Education Statistics and Indicators  
  [www.uis.unesco.org] Languages: **English** | **French**  
  This guide builds up awareness of gender-sensitive education statistics and indicators to effectively monitor gender disparities in education, 2002.

• **FAO**: Higher agricultural education and opportunities in rural development for women  
  [www.fao.org] Languages: **English**  
  Overview and summary of five case-studies, 1997 publication

• **UNESCO**: When girls go missing from the classroom  
  [www.unesco.org] Languages: **English**  
  Journal about gender gap in African schools, 2001

**General**

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http://www.uh.edu/uhtoday/2002/10oct/nutrition102402.htm

From this site: [http://www.fao.org/Gender/en/educ6-e.htm](http://www.fao.org/Gender/en/educ6-e.htm) you can link with all the sites below:

• Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA)

• Centre for Development and Population Activities (CEDPA)

• ELDIS data collection British Library for Development Studies - Gender

• European Women's Management Development
• Agencia Informative PULSAR
• APC Woman's Networking Database
• Association for Progressive Communications (APC)
• European Women's Lobby
• Fempress
• Gender Studies in Agriculture: Bibliographies, Databases and Publications
• Global Fund for Women
• Global Knowledge Partnership
• IGC (Institute for Global Communications)'s WOMEN NET
• INSTRAW
• Inter-American Development Bank Women in Development Home Page
• International Centre for Research on Women (ICRW)
• International Labour Organization
• IXCHEL A Women's Development Center
• Linkages: a multimedia resource for environment and development policy makers
• Mirando hacia Beijing 95. Mujeres rurales en America Latina y el Caribe: situacion perspectivas
• Monthly news magazine on women's issues in Spanish
• Network of East-West Women
• Open Women Line - Russian information site for women
• PENDUKA
• RWEDP Report 22 Gender and Wood Energy in Asia
• RWEDP Report 24 Women in Wood Energy Development

• The Ada Project

• The Association for Women in Development (AWID)

• The Gender Research Network (CGIAR)

• The Gender Working Group of the CGIAR Systemwide Program on Participatory Research and Gender Analysis

• The International Alliance

• The International Women’s Tribune Centre (IWTC)

• The World Bank Gender Home Page

• The ACC Network on Rural Development and Food Security

• UNDP Gender in Development

• UNDP Human Development REPORT 1995

• UNESCO: Gender Equality

• United Nations Development Fund for Women (UNIFEM)

• United Nations Division for the Advancement of Women (UNDAW)

• United Nations Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific Women in Development Section

• United Nations Womenwatch

• Women in Development (WID)

• Women in Development Network

• Women in Development Technical Assistance Project

• Women in Development: Research Guide
- Women's Environment and Development Organization
- Women's International News Gathering Service - WINGS
- Women Watch World Wide Web Location
- Women's Institute of Management (WIM)
- Women's issues in rural China
- Women-Connect-Asia
- WWWWomen(r)

Resources & Materials

http://www.fao.org/Gender/multimed/multim-e.htm (Pictures, videos)

http://www.un.org/womenwatch/daw/csw/51sess.htm
All information about the United Nations Conference regarding the Commission on the Status of Women
http://www.uwmorris.org/images/UW07_WLCBrochure.pdf (Leadership brochure ideas)
www.unesco.org/education/poverty/index.shtml - 14k (Brochure)
http://www.teal.org.uk/reading.htm
http://www.psychologymatters.org/womanboss.html
http://creativeladiesministry.com/

Books Online

Defining and Redefining Gender Equity in Education (PB)
(Research on Women and Education, V. 1) (Paperback)
Author: Janice Koch (Editor)
Publisher: Information Age Publishing (April 27, 2005)
Addressing science, mathematics, and technology, we get a glimpse into the barriers of the mind and the struggle for equal access that girls and young women must overcome in order to
experience progress in participation in these traditionally male fields. Part two closes with an important review of the research on gender, violence, and harassment, which has significant implications across grade levels and disciplines, for the creation of equitable learning environments.

**A Lot to Learn: Girls, Women, and Education in the 20th Century (Paperback)**  
**Author:** Helen Jefferson Lenskyj  
**Publisher:** Women's Press (CA) (March 1, 2005)  
A Lot to Learn provides a valuable historical analysis of women's experiences of education, from the perspective of both a student and an academic. It raises important and relevant educational concerns--particularly in terms of social justice--that are crucial to educators internationally.

**Her Place at the Table: A Woman's Guide to Negotiating Five Key Challenges to Leadership Success**  
**Author:** Deborah M., Ph.D. Kolb, Judith, Ph.D. Williams, Carol, JD Frohlinger  
**Publisher:** John Wiley & Sons Canada, Ltd.; 1 edition (Aug 10 2004)  
*Her Place at the Table* is a practical guide for any woman dealing with a demanding role. Drawing on extensive interviews with women leaders, the authors isolate five key challenges.

1. Intelligence -- to make informed decisions you need good information, but getting it can be a tricky proposition for women.
2. Backing -- no one wants to take on a tough job without the support of major players, but you can't take those allies for granted.
3. Resources -- allocations don’t always square with the results expected.
4. Buy-In -- you can't lead if no one wants to follow, but bringing a team on board can be problematic.
5. Making a Difference -- the value you create must be visible before it makes a difference.
You've got to stand for something in a world that will fall for anything. Are you afraid to be different? How often do you follow everyone else just so they don't think you're weird or an outsider? What happens when you find yourself at the big end-of-the-year party and you're challenged to take a swig of beer or make out with the cute guy headed toward you? At what point do you walk away? A big part of being a Christian who leads is standing against something you know is wrong. You don't have to go with the flow all the time.

To be a leader, you've got to be different. Your peers will observe you and the choices you make, and if you make that decision to go against the social order and stand up for what you believe in, others will notice. If other girls follow your example, there could be an incredible revolution across our generation. It takes only one to make a change. You can be a leader. Are you willing to be different?

A resource for women who desire to help other women. For each major life issue covered there’s a concise overview, a clear biblical perspective, and practical guidelines from experts. Women will be encouraged as they discover how God’s Word changes hearts.
Further Readings

*Here I Am: Now What On Earth Should I Be Doing?*
Author: Quentin Schultze
Easy read. The author is a communications professor at Calvin College who received funding from Calvin’s Lilly Endowment, Inc., program to write this book.

*Live Your Calling: A Practical Guide to Finding and Fulfilling Your Mission in Life*
Authors: Kevin and Kay Marie Brennfleck (APU alumni)
Three biblical principles serve as the “compass” for their presentation. The book contains a number of useful inventories and worksheets; highly recommended by Lynn Pearson, director of Career Services at APU.

*Let Your Life Speak: Listening for the Voice of Vocation*
Author: Parker Palmer
Palmer suggests that our concern for vocation should focus first on who we are, rather than primarily on what we do.

*Answering Your Call: A Guide for Living Your Deepest Purpose*
Author: John P. Schuster
The author is a corporate consultant and coach; because his target audience is very broad, his understanding of vocation draws from many sources, including the Bible.

*The Call: Finding and Fulfilling the Central Purpose of Your Life*
Author: Os Guinness
Uses a specifically biblical definition of vocation and discusses the implications of that definition.

*Each of these authors approaches the subject of vocation and calling from a theological perspective.*

*The Way of Life: A Theology of Christian Vocation*
Author: Gary D. Badcock

*The Fabric of This World: Inquiries into Calling, Career Choice, and the Design of Human Work*
Author: Lee Hardy
Publication Data: Eerdmans, 1990
Sources & Further Reading


American Psychological Association, March 22, 2006

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  Publication Data: Eerdmans, 1990

- **Vocation: Discerning Our Callings in Life**  
  Author: Douglas J. Schuurman  
  Publication Data: Eerdmans, 2004

**Leadership Classics**

- **Execution: The Discipline of Getting Things Done** by Larry Bossidy and Ram Charan
• Leadership by James McGregor Burns

• Built to Last: Successful Habits of Visionary Companies by James Collins and Jerry Porras

• Leaders: Strategies for Taking Charge by Warren Bennis and Burt Nanus

• Leadership and the New Science: Learning About Organizations from an Orderly Universe by Margaret Wheatley

• In Search of Excellence: Lessons from America's Best-Run Companies by Thomas Peters and Robert Waterman

• The Fifth Discipline: The Art & Practice of the Learning Organization by Peter Senge

• Stewardship: Choosing Service over Self-Interest by Peter Block

• Servant Leadership: A Journey into the Nature of Legitimate Power and Greatness by Robert Greenleaf

• Leadership is an Art by Max DePree

• Good to Great by Jim Collins

• On Leadership by John W. Gardner

• The Leadership Challenge by James Kouzes & Barry Posner
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Poverty

**Articles**

- Understanding Poverty
- Causes of Poverty
- How does poverty relate to Gender Inequality
- Hunger Facts
- Income Inequality Grows
- Introduction – migration
- Links to other Anti-Hunger and Poverty Organizations
- Poverty – Facts and Statistics
- Poverty Among Women
- Poverty Definition
- Poverty Report
- Poverty Stories 1
- Poverty Stories
- Poverty
- Putting Nutrition First yields Healthy People and Economies
- Selling Hope and Stealing Dreams
- What is Poverty?
- Women and Economy
- Women and Global Poverty
- Women, Human Rights & Poverty
- Women and Poverty Facts
- Women and Poverty Report from UN
- Women and Poverty
- Women and Economy
- Global Population Hits 6 Billion
- World's Women Rally for Equality to end Poverty

**Web Sites**

**International**

http://www.unicef.org/
http://www.globalissues.org/TradeRelated/PovertyLinks.asp
http://www.irp.wisc.edu/links.htm
http://www.pdhre.org/rights/women_and_poverty.html
http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/health/4331996.stm
http://www.propeople.org/links/poor.htm
Women and Poverty
More than 1 billion in the world today, the great majority of whom are women, live in unacceptable conditions of poverty, mostly in the developing countries. Poverty has various causes, including structural ones. Poverty is a complex, multidimensional problem, with origins in both the national and international domains.

  [www.unifem.org](http://www.unifem.org) | Languages: English
  The report argues for closer attention to the role of women, particularly working poor women, in the informal economy, and the impact of this on efforts to meet the Millennium Development Goals.

- **FAO: Gender and Food Security - Nutrition**
  Statistics, programmes, documents and fact files

- **FAO: Food, Nutrition and Agriculture**
  [www.fao.org](http://www.fao.org) | Languages: English
  Publication, 1999
• **The Gender Dimensions of Post-Conflict Reconstruction**  
  [www.wider.unu.edu](http://www.wider.unu.edu) Languages: **English**  
  Subtitled "The Challenges in Development Aid", this research paper recommends that post-conflict reconstruction projects systematically address gender issues and promote gender equality to make peace work. UNU, 2006

• **Women and Poverty**  
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  [unstats.un.org](http://unstats.un.org) Languages: **English**  
  This document reviews deficiencies and gaps in the collection, dissemination, presentation and use of data in the following three areas of concern highlighted in the Beijing Platform for Action: Women and poverty; Women in power and decision-making; and Human rights of women. UN Statistics Division, 2005

• **Women's earning power and wellbeing (UNDP Poverty Center, 2006)**  
  [www.undp-povertycentre.org](http://www.undp-povertycentre.org) Languages: **English**  
  UNDP Poverty Center's "One Pagers" are online publications aiming to raise awareness on technical issues of poverty measurement and policies for poverty reduction among a wide audience.

• **The Gender Pay Gap over Women's Working Lifetime (UNDP Poverty Center, 2006)**  
  [www.undp-povertycentre.org](http://www.undp-povertycentre.org) Languages: **English**  
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• **Poverty among women in Latin America: Feminization or over-representation? (UNDP Poverty Center, 2006)**  
  [www.undp-povertycentre.org](http://www.undp-povertycentre.org) Languages: **English**  
  UNDP Poverty Center's Working Paper series disseminates the findings of work in progress in order to encourage exchange of ideas about development issues.

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  [www.un.org](http://www.un.org) Languages: **English**  
  From October 2004 to January 2005, WomenWatch hosted a series of online discussions on the Platform's critical areas of concern and other important issues to provide input into the review and appraisal of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. All postings and background notes are available for reading as archived online discussion.

• **DESA/DAW: "Empowerment of Women through the life cycle as a transformative strategy for poverty eradication"**  
  [www.un.org](http://www.un.org) Languages: **English**  
  Information on an Expert Group Meeting organized by DAW, 26-29 November 2001
• FAO: The feminization of hunger: What do surveys tell us?
  [www.fao.org] Languages: English
  2001 article

• FAO: Gender food security
  [www.fao.org] Languages: English
  FAO synthesis report of regional documents: Africa, Asia and Pacific, Europe, Near East, Latin America

• FAO: Improving the status of disadvantaged women in small-scale fishing communities of Capiz and Pangasinan, Philippines
  [www.fao.org] Languages: English
  Project evaluation, 1994

  [www.ifad.org] Languages: English

• IFAD: Rural Poverty Report 2001 - The Challenge of Ending Rural Poverty
  [www.ifad.org] Languages: English | French | Spanish | Arabic
  Report with regional assessments

• IFAD: Gender Perspective - Focus on the Rural Poor - An Overview of Gender Issues in IFAD-Assisted Projects
  [www.ifad.org] Languages: English
  Brochure presenting the evolution of IFAD's approach to gender, together with some examples of sector-specific approaches selected from IFAD's project portfolio, 2000

• IFAD: Engendered Mobilization, the Key to Livelihood Security: IFAD's Experience in South Asia
  [www.ifad.org] Languages: English
  Study on processes and patterns associated with household food security, 1998-2003

• IFAD: Household Food Security and the Role of Women: IFAD's Experience in Guatemala
  [www.ifad.org] Languages: English
  Study identifying the determinants of household food security, 1998

• IFAD: Food Security, Poverty and Women: Lessons from Rural Asia
  [www.ifad.org] Languages: English
  Theoretical and empirical study on three projects in India and Nepal, 1999-2003

• Rural Women in IFAD's Projects: The Key to Poverty Alleviation
  [www.ifad.org] Languages: English

• WFP: Focus on Women
  [www.wfp.org] Languages: English
  Facts on women and poverty, especially relating to food
• **UNRISD: Project on Gender, Poverty and Well-being**
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  This project argued that the links between gender and poverty lie at the level of social and economic relations and institutions rather than merely poverty "outcomes", 1997-1999

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- ASPnet website - [http://www.unesco.org/education/asp](http://www.unesco.org/education/asp)
- Child Friendly Cities - [http://www.childfriendlycities.org/home.html](http://www.childfriendlycities.org/home.html)
- Children's Environments Research Group (CERG) - [http://web.gc.cuny.edu/che/cerg/about_cerg/about_cerg_index.htm](http://web.gc.cuny.edu/che/cerg/about_cerg/about_cerg_index.htm)
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- Estonian Environmental NGOs on the EU Environmental Policies - [http://www.roheline.ee/eu/seisukohad/crl_eu_statement.html](http://www.roheline.ee/eu/seisukohad/crl_eu_statement.html)
- Great Australian Cycle Expedition - [http://www.gracexpedition.org](http://www.gracexpedition.org)
- IICD virtual campus - [http://webboard.iicd.org/index_uk.html](http://webboard.iicd.org/index_uk.html)
- IT and Environment Initiative - [http://www.it-environment.org/index.html](http://www.it-environment.org/index.html)
• Club for the children who care for planet Earth -
  http://www.waece.org/waece/cdclubninyos/ingles/principal_ingles.htm or
  http://www.waece.org/waece/cdclubninyos/animacion.htm
• Earth Charter – www.earthcharter.org
• Earth Charter Community Action Tool - http://www.earthcat.org/
• Education for Sustainable Development website -
  http://www.unesco.org/education/desd
• Frameworks and Strategies for Sustainable Development - www.undp.org/fssd/
• o Kids' ISO 14000 Programme -
• Learn Creative Thinking Skills, Apply Sustainability Principles -
  http://www.holocene.net/Services/Pathways%20-%20Workshop.htm
• Learning Towards a Sustainable World: A Teacher’s Guide -
  http://www.1420learning.org/swteachersguideshort.html
• Network for Learning and Sustainability - http://www.eco-net.dk/ENGLISH/NLS/Index.html
• Non-governmental Organizations Research Guide -
  http://docs.lib.duke.edu/igo/guides/ngo/
• OECD Sustainable Development -
  http://www.oecd.org/infobycountry/0,2646,en_2649_37425_1_70765_1_1_37425_00.html
• Organising and Sponsoring Environmental and Sustainable Development Awards -
• Regional Environmental Center for Central and Eastern Europe -
  http://www.rec.org/
• Sustainability Street - www.sustainabilitystreet.org.au
• Television Trust for the Environment - http://www.tve.org/
• The Earth Project - http://www.earthproject.ca/
• The LORAX and Sustainable Development -
  http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/edu/enved/lorax.htm
• This is a Journey project - http://www.thisisajourney.net/
• Time for Kids Classroom -
  http://www.timeforkids.com/TFK/class/reproducibles/theme/0,17836,Environment,00.html
• United Nations Division for Sustainable Development -
• United Nations Environment Network - http://www.unep.net/
• We can make a difference: action plan for change -
  http://www.foodandfarming.org.uk/difference.htm
• World Water Monitoring Day - http://www.worldwatermonitoringday.org/
• You think! For schools tackling issues - http://youthink.worldbank.org/
• Young Digital Creators Programme - http://portal.unesco.org/culture/
• National Strategies for Sustainable Development - www.nssd.net/
• Sustainable Development Networking Programme (SDNP) - www.sdnp.undp.org/
• Teaching and Learning for a Sustainable Future -
  http://www.unesco.org/education/tlsf/index.htm
• UNESCO Universal Declaration on Cultural Diversity -
  http://unesdoc.unesco.org/images/0012/001271/127160m.pdf

Resources & Material

http://www.unitus.com/sections/media/media_enews_main.asp (Newsletter)
http://www.nj cathconf.com/statements/PovertyBrochure%20EnglishBW.pdf (Christian response to Poverty Brochure)
http://practicalaction.org/docs/about_us/this_is_practical_action.pdf (Booklet)
http://www.twinside.org.sg/women.htm (Articles)

Books Online

World Resources: The Wealth of the Poor: Managing Ecosystems to Fight Poverty (Paperback)
by United Nations Development Programme
**Publisher:** World Resources Institute (June 2005)
The book shows a study about the world resources available in order to fight against poverty.

World Poverty and Human Rights: Cosmopolitan Responsibilities and Reforms (Paperback)
**Author:** Thomas Pogge
**Publisher:** Polity Press (October 1, 2002)
"The question of human flourishing elicits an extraordinary variety of responses, which suggests that there are not merely differences of opinion at work, but also gaps between rich and poor rights."
The End of Poverty
Author: Jeffrey D. Sachs
Publisher: The Earth Institute
Extreme poverty can be ended, not in the time of our grandchildren, but our time." Thus forecasts Jeffrey D. Sachs, director of The Earth Institute at Columbia University, whose twenty-five years of experience observing the world from many vantage points has helped him shed light on the most vital issues facing our planet: the causes of poverty, the role of rich-country policies, and the very real possibilities for a poverty-free future. Deemed "the most important economist in the world" by The New York Times Magazine and "the world's best-known economist" by Time magazine, Sachs brings his considerable expertise to bear in the landmark The End of Poverty: Economic Possibilities for Our Time, his highly anticipated blueprint for world-wide economic success — a goal, he argues, we can reach in a mere twenty years.

HOW TO CHANGE THE WORLD tells the stories of people around the globe who are solving many of the world's most intractable problems. Full of hope and energy, exciting solutions and compelling characters, this book shows how a growing wave of "social entrepreneurs"- individuals with initiative, creativity, savvy and determination- are reshaping the world for the better. These individuals - from doctors to lawyers, from engineers to journalists - are successfully demonstrating that one person with a powerful idea and a passionate drive to succeed can bring positive changes to the lives of thousands or even millions.
Author: David Bornstein
Publisher: Oxford University Press
Faces of Poverty: Portraits of Women and Children on Welfare
Author: by Jill Duerr Berrick. 214 pgs.
...Most Americans are insulated from the poor; it's hard to imagine the challenges of poverty, the daily fears of crime and victimization, the frustration of not being able to...

Women and Poverty or Gender and Well-Being? in Journal of International Affairs
Author: Cecile Jackson. 15 pgs.
...Women and Poverty or Gender and Well-Being? by...elements of the current consensus on women and poverty: One is the view, in poverty discourses...a generally recognized...

Women in Poverty: A New Global Underclass, in Foreign Policy
Author: Mayra Buvinic. 16 pgs.
...Women in poverty: a new global underclass...work experiences of men and women, exacerbate womens poverty, and sustain a vicious cycle...Why, then, are more and more women...

Statistical Handbook on Poverty in the Developing World (Section I "Women and Poverty")
Author: Chandrika Kaul, Valerie Tomaselli-Moschovitis. 428 pgs.
...Although poverty is one of the most serious issues facing the world's population, finding statistical information on this subject has, in the past, required a significant...

Old Souls: Aged Women, Poverty, and the Experience of God
Author: Helen K. Black, Robert L. Rubinstein. 244 pgs.
...OLD SOULS Aged Women, Poverty, and the Experience of God...Helen K., 1952-
Old souls: aged women and poverty.
Author: Jurg K. Siegenthaler. 14 pgs.
...divorces, and never-married women experiencing poverty. An examination of these...prevention and alleviation of poverty among older women.

Life-Cycle Aspects of Poverty among Older Women, in Social Security Bulletin
Author: Sharmila Choudhury, Michael V. Leonesio. 20 pgs.
...instances in which poor older women exit poverty through public income transfers...correlates and determinants of poverty for women who have reached the beginning...focus...

Economic Transition in China and Vietnam: Crossing the Poverty Line Is Just the First Step for Women and Their Families, in Review of Social Economy
Author: Gale Summerfield. 14 pgs.
...crossing the poverty line is just the first step for women and their families...crossing the poverty line is just the first step for women and their families...Social...

Paths to Homelessness: Extreme Poverty and the Urban Housing Crisis (Chap. 10 "A Black Teenage Single Mother and Her Son: Michelle and Andre")
Author: Doug A. Timmer, D. Stanley Eitzen, Kathryn D. Talley. 210 pgs.
...increased the probability of poverty and homelessness especially for women and their dependent...primary source of the poverty of
**Author:** Martha Chen, Lecturer in Public Policy, John F. Kennedy School of Government.  
**Publisher:** United Nations Development Fund for Women, 2005.  
"Women, Work and Poverty is an innovative study that advances our understanding of the inter-relationship of employment, gender and poverty in low-income countries ... This study offers new perspectives and new tools which will contribute to improved data collection, better public policy and hence more equitable and effective poverty reduction strategies in the years ahead" -- Jeffrey Sachs.

**Further Readings**

**Women and the Economy**

[http://www.unpac.ca/economy/links.html#4](http://www.unpac.ca/economy/links.html#4) – Articles and information available about women and poverty. Go to the site or click.

**Siyanda**
An on-line database of gender and development materials featuring much information on gender, trade, work, economic literacy, and much more - all from a global perspective

**Womenwatch**
Economy portion of the Beijing Platform for Action (PFA)

**Sussex University**
BRIDGE Glossary on Macro-Economics from a Gender Perspective

**Women and a Fair Income**
A Calgary-based working group

**Status of Women Canada**
Women and the Canadian Economy: Long-Term Policy Research Issues (PDF)

**Status of Women Canada resources:**

- [Economic Gender Equality Indicators 1997](#)
- [Economic Gender Equality Indicators 2000](#)
- [Women’s Economic Independence and Security](#) (PDF Format)

**Put Your Husband in the Kitchen**
A fun analysis by Helen Keller, published in 1932
THREATS TO HEALTH
Threats to Health

Articles

- 10 questions to ask your Health Care Professional
- A Balanced Diet
- Acne
- Adolescent Health and Development
- Adolescents and Health
- All about Menopause
- Anemia
- Back Pain
- Before You are Born
- Breast Awareness
- Breast Cancer
- Cellulite
- Cervical Cancer
- Coping with Stress
- Emergency contraception
- Endometriosis
- Essential Obstetric Care
- Fast Facts on Maternal Mortality and Morbidity
- Female Genital Mutilation
- Fibroids
- Food and Water Hygiene
- Getting Immunized
- Globalization and Infectious Diseases in Women
- Hair loss
- Headaches at Work
- Heart Disease
- HIV/ AIDS and Teens
- HIV/AIDS and Women
- HIV
- Human Rights and Health
- Improving Reproductive Health
- Life Stages
- On the Move
- Osteoporosis
- Painful Periods
- Premenstrual Syndrome (PMS)
- Preparing to Travel
- Related Links
- Statement on the International Day against Female Genital Mutilation
• Stress
• Top Beauty Tips
• Treating HIV
• Understanding Malnutrition and treatments
• What is Premenstrual Syndrome
• Womb Cancer
• Women and Health
• Women and HIV/AIDS
• Women and Mental Health
• Women and Microbicides
• Women and Sexually Transmitted Infections
• Women, Aging and Health
• Workstation
• Youth Health and Rights

**Web Sites**

**International**

http://www.fwhc.org/links.htm (The most complete link about women and health issues, offering all kind the materials.

http://www.research.umbc.edu/~korenman/wmst/links_hlth.html

http://www.cwhn.ca/resource/index.html

http://dir.yahoo.com/Health/Women_s_Health/

http://healthlinks.washington.edu/clinical/women

http://health.yahoo.com/


http://hsl.mcmaster.ca/tomflem/womenhealth.html

**General**

Here are selected sites offering information about women's health issues: Follow the link: http://www.research.umbc.edu/~korenman/wmst/links_hlth.html and you will find all the information below.

• [Bibliographic References for Multicultural Perspectives on Domestic Violence in the U.S.](http://www.research.umbc.edu/~korenman/wmst/links_hlth.html)
  (Sociologist Natalie J. Sokoloff has compiled this extensive bibliography of print resources dealing with multicultural domestic violence. There are separate sections for Theories and Analyses, Racial/Ethnic Groups, Socio-Economic Status, Religious Groups, Lesbians, Social and Personal Change, Rural Domestic Violence, and Women with Disabilities.)

• [BlackWomensHealth.com](http://www.blackwomenshealth.com)
  (Information about women's health with a focus on black women.)

• [Breast Cancer Network Nova Scotia](http://www.bcnovascotia.org)
• (Since 1996, this Canadian site has offered an online forum and extensive online resources about breast cancer, with a focus on support, information, news, treatment options, advocacy, and awareness. The intended audience includes patients, family members, caregivers, healthcare providers, and others.)
• **Canadian Women's Health Network**
  • (This site, available in both English and French, offers very extensive resources on women's health. A large assortment of relevant topics include not just the usual ones such as "fitness and nutrition," "menopause and healthy aging," and "pregnancy and motherhood," but also such categories as "gender-based analysis," "health policy," "women in the workplace," and attention to the health issues of aboriginal women, lesbians and bisexual women, and women with disabilities. The site also provides a section called "what's hot in women's health?" and extensive links to related sites.)
• **Center for Reproductive Law and Policy**
  • (CRLP is an independent, non-profit organization "dedicated to ensuring that all women have access to appropriate and freely chosen reproductive health services. The CRLP site provides news coverage of reproductive rights legal issues, information about the status of reproductive rights around the world, fact sheets and other resources, an online newsletter, and more. Some materials are available in Spanish and French as well as English.)
• **Center for Young Women's Health**
  • (Sponsored by Boston's Children's Hospital, this site provides bilingual [English/Spanish] information about eating disorders, nutrition, menstruation, gynecological exams, endometriosis, cancer, sexuality, birth control options, STDs, smoking, breast health, body piercing, emotional health, and more)
• **Childbirth.Org**
  • (Extensive, well-organized resources concerning pregnancy and childbirth.)
• **Community Breast Health Project**
  • (A clearinghouse for information and support to improve the lives of people touched by breast cancer.)
• **Disabled Women's Network (DAWN) - Ontario**
  • (Canadian organization whose web site includes an annotated bibliography on Violence Against Women with Disabilities [under Publications], a fact sheet, research requests, an extensive set of links to related sites, and more.)
• **DrDonnica.com**
  • (Billing itself "the first name in women's health" ["Donnica" is Dr. Donnica Moore's first name], this site at first made me uneasy with its focus on Dr. Donnica's media appearances and its calling on celebrities from the entertainment world to talk about health issues. Nonetheless, the site does offer a wealth of clear and useful information about women's health issues. In addition to the usual topics [Aging, Breast Health, Fibroids, HRT, Pregnancy, etc.], it includes interesting sections on Debunking Myths, News Alerts, FAQs, and Top Tips, as well as extensive links to related sites.)
• **Eating Disorders**
• (Colleen Thompson's web site defines and explains eating disorders and offers resources for dealing with them, including recommended books, organizations, treatment centers, related links, and more.)

**EngenderHealth**

• (Website of a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving women's health worldwide. The site offers abundant information about women's health issues, with an international focus.)

**Estronaut: A Forum for Women's Health**

• (Clear information organized by the stages of a woman's life and by subject. Also includes the option of sending questions to a woman doctor.)

**Family Health International (FHI)**

• (FHI is a not-for-profit organization working in the areas of AIDS/HIV/STD, family planning, and reproductive health around the world, with a focus on developing countries. A [Women's Studies page](#) includes links to a number of case studies, working papers, and reports. Parts of the web site are available in English, French, Spanish, Russian, and Arabic.)

**Female Genital Mutilation**

• (This web site from the human rights organization Amnesty International offers extensive coverage of female genital mutilation [FGM], also known as clitoridectomy or female circumcision. It describes the procedures and their physical and psychological effects, identifies where FGM is practiced, discusses the rationales offered for FGM, and explains why it has become a human rights issue. The web site also offers strategies for change, contact information, and a selected bibliography.)

**Female Genital Mutilation Education and Networking Project**

• (Marianne Sarkis' site offers extensive resources for research, teaching, and activism regarding female genital mutilation, including a bibliography, information about films, legislation, health concerns, religious issues, e-mail lists, and more. Some attention also to male circumcision.)

**Feminist Women's Health Center**

• (Information about abortion, birth control, breast cancer, menopause, and other women's health issues. Much of the site is also available in Spanish.)

**FemiWeb**

• (Website in French devoted to women's health, with emphasis on resources for pregnancy and childbirth.)

**FORCE: Facing Our Risk of Cancer Empowered**

• (Web site for women whose family history and genetic status put them at high risk of getting ovarian cancer and/or breast cancer, and for members of families in which this risk is present. The site offers message boards, chat, and well-organized, annotated links to relevant sites, including a section devoted to Canadian sites.)

**4CollegeWomen**

• (A site dealing with women's health, with a focus especially on health issues facing college-age women. Created by Brandeis University students and sponsored and overseen by the Former U. S. Assistant Surgeon General, Dr.
Susan J Blumenthal, the site is especially strong on information about the following concerns: General Health and Prevention; Tobacco, Alcohol, and Substance Abuse; Reproductive Health; Emotional and Mental Health; Diseases and Conditions; and Safety and Violence-Related Issues.)

- **FSD Alert**
  - (Psychiatry professor Leonore Tiefer has created this web to publicize challenges to "the myths promoted by the pharmaceutical industry" and calls for research on the many causes of women's sexual problems, often referred to as "female sexual dysfunction" or FSD. The clearly partisan site includes an account of the issue and many useful links to news articles and related web sites.)

- **Gender and AIDS**
  - (A collection of more than 100 articles dealing with gender and HIV/AIDS. Part of the SEA-AIDS archive, which is affiliated with the United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS.)

- **Gender and Emergencies**
  - (Web page devoted to gender considerations in dealing with natural disasters and other emergency situations.)

- **Gender and HIV/AIDS**
  - (Sponsored by UNIFEM, the United Nations Development Fund for Women, this web site serves as a resource center and web portal for gender-specific knowledge and information about HIV/AIDS. It provides reports, debates, and practical tools, links to other quality websites on gender and HIV/AIDS, as well as a home in cyberspace for the global community to share insights, materials, research, best practices and more.)

- **Gender-Related Electronic Forums: Health**
  - (Annotated, frequently-updated listing of women- and gender-related email discussion forums focusing on health issues.)

- **GINE-web**
  - (Spanish-language online resources for women's health and well-being. Includes an impressive, well-organized collection of links, "Enlaces de Salud.")

- **GirlsHealth.gov**
  - (Sponsored by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services, this site gives girls 10-16 reliable, current information about health, growing up, and issues they may face. Focusing especially on health issues, the site contains sections on body, fitness, nutrition, illness and disability, drugs, alcohol and smoking, mind, relationships, and more. Each topic also offers separate resources for parents and caregivers.)

- **Global Reproductive Health Forum**
  - (Subtitled "health, rights and gender at harvard university," this site offers working papers and other information about such issues as Gender, Reproductive Rights, HIV/AIDS, Sexually Transmitted Diseases/RTI, Contraception, Abortion, Population and Family Planning, Maternal Health, and the South Asia Project, concerned with gender and women's health in South Asia. Some parts also available in Spanish.)

- **The Alan Guttmacher Institute**
• (This well-known Institute's site offers current research findings and policy analyses concerning reproductive health and rights in the U. S. and internationally. Resources include articles from Institute publications, policy papers, fact sheets, and something called "table maker" that permits you to create your own data tables from the Institute's data on population, economic development, education, health, marriage, sexuality, childbirth, and contraception.)

• **Harvard Database on Law and Population**
  (This searchable database, produced jointly by Harvard Law School and the United Nations Population Fund, contains "summaries and excerpts of legislation, constitutions, court decisions, and other official government documents from every country in the world relating to population policies, reproductive health, women's rights, and related topics.")

• **Healthgrrl: Violence Resources for Women**
  (Originally called SafetyNet Domestic Violence Online Resources, this site offers resources and links to sites focusing on domestic violence. Note: this page dates from 1995.)

• **HealthWeb: Women's Health**
  (HealthWeb is an interface developed by cooperating university libraries to provide organized access to evaluated non-commercial, health-related, Internet-accessible resources. This section is devoted to general and specific resources in women's health.)

• **International Women's Health Coalition**
  (The IWCH "works to generate health and population policies, programs, and funding that promote and protect the rights and health of girls and women worldwide, particularly in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and countries in postsocialist transition." The web site offers reports and resources that focus on three themes: adolescent health & rights; sexual rights; and access to safe abortion.)

• **Librarians' Index to the Internet: Women**
  (Created and maintained by librarians who are experts in finding and evaluating online resources, the Librarians' Index to the Internet is itself one of the most valuable resources on the Web. Its focus extends to just about every topic, but its coverage of women is especially impressive. Its opening page on Women" lists approximately 70 topics. Each of these contains carefully selected and annotated links to information-rich web sites. Though the topics range widely--the S's alone include Sex Discrimination, Social Conditions, Speeches, Sports & Athletics, Statistics, and Suffrage--the site offers particularly extensive coverage of health issues and what it refers to as "Notable Women." Not to be missed!)

• **Medline Plus: Menopause**
  (Medline Plus, from the National Library of Medicine and the National Institutes of Health, provides high-quality information about many health issues. The page on the Menopause is a good example. It offers overviews of menopause, news, information about symptoms, treatments, alternative therapies, clinical trials, research, related issues, and more. Limited sections are also available in Spanish.)

• **MedNets**
• (This extensive site does not focus exclusively on women, but it includes search engines for obstetrics and gynecology; a section on ob/gyn for health care professionals with links to journals, associations, news, clinical practice information, etc.; and an ob/gyn section containing medical information for patients and other lay people.)

• **Medscape - Women's Health**
  (The Medscape site offers full-text, peer-reviewed articles, literature reviews, and medical news "for health professionals and interested consumers.")

• **Merck Manual of Medical Information: Women's Health Issues**
  (Section 22 of the Home Edition of the Merck Manual offers extensive information about women's health issues.)

• **MUM: Museum of Menstruation and Women's Health**
  (Harry Finley created this site and, according to the site, an actual physical museum as well. The site offers an interesting, often humorous exhibit devoted to menstruation.)

• **National Center for Policy Research for Women and Families**
  (This nonprofit, nonpartisan organization's web site provides news and information about policy research on such issues as social security, breast implants, breast cancer, poverty and welfare, violence, women's health, children's health, and work and family. It invites researchers in these fields to tell the Center about their work, which the Center will then try to make more widely available.)

• **National Center on Women and Aging**
  (Sponsored by Brandeis University's Heller School for Social Policy and Management, the web site includes a section on publications, many of which are available online, and a section of annotated links to information about Health, Aging, Housing, Caregiving, Financial Security, and other relevant sites.)

• **National Partnership for Women and Families**
  (Formerly the Women's Legal Defense Fund, the National Partnership now focuses on Health Care and on Work and Family issues. The website offers resources in both these areas.)

• **National Sexual Violence Resource Center**
  (A clearinghouse of information [reports, news, statistics, state and national organizations, federal agencies, legal and medical resources, related web sites] about sexual violence and its prevention.)

• **National Women's Health Information Center**
  (Also called "4women.gov," this site offers many links to women's health information to lay people and health professionals. Special sections on topics such as girls' health, heart disease, disabilities, and pregnancy. One section offers extensive resources focusing on minority women). Sponsored by the U. S. Department of Health and Human Services.

• **National Women's Health Resource Center**
  (This non-profit organization's site, also called "Healthy Women," offers extensive information about many aspects of women's health. In addition to sections devoted to a wide variety of health issues, the site includes frequently-updated news coverage of women's health, a library of recommended books...
available for purchase at the site or elsewhere, web-based discussion forums, information about national and community health services, and more.)

- **National Women's Law Center**
  - (Organization whose mission is "to protect and advance the progress of women and girls at work, in school, and in virtually every aspect of their lives." Its informative web site provides news, information, and activist alerts in support of its mission in such categories as Athletics, Child & Family Support, Education, Employment, Health, Social Security, and more.)

- **North American Menopause Society**
  - (NAMS is a non-profit organization that aims to provide current, accurate information about menopause to both health practitioners and the public. Among the resources the site offers is a core curriculum study guide, current news, a suggested reading list, and more. You may have to burrow through the site's major sections to find what's available.)

- **NOT-2-LATE.com: The Emergency Contraception Website**
  - (This site, under the aegis of Princeton University and the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals, offers high-quality information about emergency contraception—what it is, what kinds there are, where emergency contraception can be found, and more, including an extensive section of Frequently Asked Questions. The site is peer-reviewed by a panel of outside experts.)

- **OBGYN.net Clinical Links**
  - (Regularly updated collection of links for health professionals in obstetrics and gynecology. See also the set of links for lay people under Women's Pavillion (OBGYN.net), below.)

- **Online Birth Center**
  - (Information and resources concerning midwifery, pregnancy, birth, and breastfeeding.)

- **Our Bodies, Ourselves: Companion Website**
  - (The classic book about women's health and sexuality, Our Bodies, Ourselves, currently in its 8th edition, now has a very useful companion website. The site provides abundant information and links arranged into eight categories: Taking Care of Ourselves, Relationships and Sexuality, Sexual Health, Reproductive Choices, Child-Bearing, Growing Older, Medical Problems and Procedures, and Knowledge is Power. It also offers excerpts and resources organized around the book's 32 chapters.)

- **Power Surge**
  - (Resources for women going through menopause; extensive links)

- **Reproductive Technologies Web: RT21**
  - (Part of Harvard University's Global Reproductive Health Forum, this web site offers articles on such issues as Globalism and Development; the Medicalization of Birth; Race and Reproductive Technologies; Procreative and Contraceptive Technologies; Teaching Science, Technology, and the Body; and more.)

- **ReproLine: Reproductive Health Online**
- "An educational, nonprofit source of up-to-date information on selected reproductive health topics," including contraception/family planning. The site is "designed for use by policymakers with a technical and/or clinical background," and for "individuals, particularly teachers and trainers." The nonprofit organization producing the website is affiliated with Johns Hopkins University.

- **Save Roe**
  - (A Planned Parenthood site offering information about birth control, abortion, legislative initiatives, activist efforts involving reproductive rights, anti-choice threats to the 1973 Roe v. Wade court decision, a daily blog, and more.)

- **Society for Women's Health Research**
  - (Includes useful information about issues in women's health care and well-organized statistics and links to related sites.)

- **The State of World Population 2000**
  - (Released in September 2000, this annual report of the United Nations Population Fund documents extensive gender inequality and discrimination against women and girls and discusses the effects of this discrimination on individuals and societies. The report's sections include Gender and Health; Violence Against Women and Girls; Men, Reproductive Rights, and Gender Equality; Counting the Cost of Gender Inequality; Women's Rights are Human Rights; and Working Towards a Better Future. The report includes graphs and charts of key facts and figures, and related links. It is also available in French and Spanish.)

- **Stop Violence Against Women**
  - (This site, sponsored by the human rights organization Amnesty International, provides news, action alerts, reports, and other resources for stopping violence against women around the world.)

- **Take Wellness to Heart**
  - (American Heart Association site provides information about heart disease and stroke in women.)

- **Ultimate Birth Control Links (Ann Rose)**
  - (An exceptionally rich collection of links, incl. abortion clinics and adoption info)

- **Violence Against Women on the Internet**
  - (A 6-week lecture and discussion session sponsored in 2002 by the Beekman Center for Internet & Society, Harvard Law School. Though the discussions are over, many of the resources are still available online. The session was organized into five modules: Campus Sexual Assault Policies; Pornography; Sex Trafficking; The Internet as a Site of Resistance; and Safety.)

- **WidowNet**
  - ("An information and self-help resource for and by widows and widowers. Topics covered include grief, bereavement, recovery, and other information helpful to people of all ages, religious backgrounds, and sexual orientations who have suffered the death of a spouse or life partner." Good information about email lists and other forms of online interaction, books, demographic information, and much more.)

- **Woman's Diagnostic Cyber**
(A women's health site established by gynecologist Frederick R. Jelovsek "to provide information and education to help decrease a woman's health concerns." Discussion of symptoms and risk factors, news, free message board, and the possibility of consultations [for which there's a charge].)

**Women and Disability Resources**

(Barbara Robertson's site offers a fact sheet on women with disabilities and development, an explanation of why it makes sense to focus on women with disabilities, and links concerning women and disabilities in a number of categories, including Sexuality, Economics, African American Women, Older Women, Lesbians, Abuse, and General.)

**WomenCentral**

(A large site offering women-related resources in a wide variety of categories. It seems especially strong on health resources, but it also includes sections on women's issues, women's articles, women's rights, women's self-defense, and "fun" categories such as jokes, quotations, "inspirationals," kids' resources, and shopping.)

**Womenheart: National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease**

(Womenheart, "dedicated to reducing death and disability among the 8,000,000 American women living with heart disease," offers an array of current information on diet, exercise, hormone replacement therapy, cholesterol guidelines, the usefulness of statins, and much more, as well as a message board and annotated links to related sites.)

**Women of Color Health Data Book**

(Provided by the National Women's Health Information Center, this site offers extensive information intended to help policy makers and women's health advocates understand the health status of women of color and assist them in addressing their needs. Organized in three parts: Factors Affecting the Health of Women of Color, Health Assessment of Women of Color, and Issues Related to Improving the Health of Women of Color.)

**Women of Color Web**

(Valuable web site sponsored by the Harvard Global Reproductive Health Forum "to explore the intersection of gender and 'race' on topics such as feminism, sexuality, and reproductive health and rights." Includes scholarly articles, book chapters, critical essays, teaching tools, and links to related resources.)

**Women of the World: Laws & Policies Affecting Their Reproductive Lives**

(Covers Brazil, China, Germany, India, Nigeria, United States)

**Women's Cancer Network**

(Website associated with the Society of Gynecologic Oncologists provides information about risk factors, referrals, links to related sites, news about women's cancers, and more.)

**Women's Health: About.com**

(Tracee Cornforth is the "guide" in charge of this site, which offers links, features, chat, etc. about women's health. Like all About.com sites, it is updated frequently.)

**Women's Health (BBC Online)**
• (Very down to earth, accessible site that deals with women's health issues from a British perspective. Part of the larger British Broadcasting Corporation site.)

Women's Health Information Center (JAMA)
• (Produced and maintained by editors and staff of the highly respected Journal of the American Medical Association, this site offers a collection of peer-reviewed resources about women's health for physicians, other health care professionals, and the general public.)

Women's Health Interactive
• (Resources for dealing with varied women's health issues, including the possibility of online consultation with health professionals.)

Women's Health: Journal Watch
• (Journal Watch provides clinician-authored summaries of articles appearing in top medical journals. One section of Journal Watch is devoted to women's health issues. Though full access requires a paid-for subscription, one can register for free and then browse or search the archives, though free access to summaries is restricted to articles more than six months old. Free registration also entitles one to receive via email the table of contents for any or all of the Journal Watch sections. The site is designed especially for physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, and other women's health professionals, though the summaries are clear enough to be of benefit to lay people as well.)

Women's Health Matters
• (An extensive, high-quality Canadian site sponsored by the Women's College Hospital and the Centre for Research in Women's Health in Toronto. It offers women's health news, interviews with women's health professionals, information about a wide variety of women's health issues, and well-organized print and online resources, with particular emphasis on Canadian resources.)

Women's Health (NYTimes)
• (Site includes articles that have appeared in the New York Times, plus other resources written by NYTimes staff members, excerpts from books, and an annotated guide to more than 100 web sites offering information about aspects of women's health.)

Women's Health Queensland Wide
• (Australian site offering information on an extensive array of issues such as sexually transmitted infections, menopause, hormone replacement, endometriosis, urinary incontinence, hysterectomy, infertility, ovarian and breast cancer, eating disorders, sexual violence, substance abuse, and more.)

Women's Health Resources on the Internet
• (MCP Hahnemann University Libraries site offers annotated links arranged into five sections: Instructional Resources, Related Resources, Organizations and Professional Societies, Electronic Journals, Lists and Directories.)

Women's Health Topics: MEDLINE Plus
• (This well-organized, searchable site offers very extensive, authoritative information on a vast number of women's health topics from the National Library of Medicine. It includes a section on hormone replacement therapy with current information from international sources.)
Women's Health (Virtual Hospital)
(This very extensive section on women's health is part of a much larger health site [Virtual Hospital] maintained and peer-reviewed by the University of Iowa. There are separate sections for health care providers, for patients, and for "other constituents" such as teachers, journalists, and students.)

Women's Health (WebMD)
(This site, successor to Sapient Health Network, offers information from Reuters Medical News, medical writers, and others in sections devoted to uterine fibroids, endometriosis, ovarian cancer, pelvic pain, irregular or heavy bleeding, incontinence, and more.)

Women's Health Zone
(Very readable information from Johns Hopkins University. In addition to coverage of topics such as breast cancer, women and heart disease, hormone replacement therapy, and aging, it also has a section on women in health history.)

Women's Law Initiative
(A "nationwide online resource for women and girls living with or escaping domestic violence." The site provides clear instructions on laws pertaining to, and procedures necessary to obtain, restraining orders in all 50 states. It also offers definitions of domestic violence and related terms, news items, guidelines for personal safety and for leaving an abusive relationship, an "Am I Being Abused?" checklist, and links to other resources.)

Women's Pavilion (OBGYN.net)
(Site offers extensive resources on women's health issues, including columns by health professionals, a women's health forum, well-organized links, and more. Physicians and other health professionals advise and participate. See also OBGYN.net Clinical Links, above.)

The Women's Place: Women and HIV/AIDS
(HIV counselor Sharon Ann Meyer's site provides information and resources for women with human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] or acquired immunodeficiency syndrome [AIDS].)

Women with DisAbilities
(This site from the National Women's Health Information Center offers abundant resources of interest to women with disabilities and those who live and work with them. The site is organized into categories such as Abuse, Access to Health Care, Financial Assistance, Laws and Regulations, Minorities, and Sexuality. It also provides information about types of disabilities.)

WWW (Web by Women for Women)
(Web site focusing on women's health and sexuality issues; unrelated to the WWWomen site)

Government

Directory of UN Resources on Gender and Women's Issues
Women and Health
Women have the right to the enjoyment of the highest attainable standard of physical and
ment of this right is vital to their life and well-being their ability to participate in all areas of public and private life.

- **WHO: Department of Gender and Women's Health (GWH)**
  [www.who.int] Languages: English

- **WHO: Women's Health**
  [www.who.int] Languages: English | French | Spanish
  Links to descriptions of activities, reports, news and events on this topic

- **Public Choices, Private Decisions: Sexual and Reproductive Health and the Millennium Development Goals**
  [www.unmillenniumproject.org] Languages: English
  Achieving the Millennium Development Goals: Full report, executive summary, and background papers. UN Millennium Project, 2006

- **Gender, Health and Development in the Americas 2005**
  [www.unfpa.org] Languages: English | Spanish
  Basic Indicators 2005. The brochure profiles gender differences in health and development in the 48 states and territories in Latin America and the Caribbean, focusing on women's reproductive health, access to key health services, and major causes of death. PAHO, UNFPA, UNIFEM, 2006

- **Renew - The Campaign to End Fistula**
  [www.endfistula.org] Languages: English | French
  Obstetric fistula is a devastating injury of childbearing that leaves women with agonising pain, chronic incontinence and - in most cases - a stillborn baby. The global Campaign to End Fistula currently covers more than 35 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia and the Arab region. The goal is to make fistula as rare in developing countries as it is in the industrialized world. UNFPA, 2006

- **WHO Multi-country Study on Women's Health and Domestic Violence Against Women (September 2005)**
  [www.who.int] Languages: English | French | Spanish
  WHO study analysing data from interviews with over 24,000 women in countries representing diverse cultural, geographical and urban/rural settings - Bangladesh, Brazil, Ethiopia, Japan, Peru, Namibia, Samoa, Serbia and Montenegro, Thailand and the United Republic of Tanzania. The study uncovers the forms and patterns of violence against women across these locations and finds that violence from intimate male partners is a major contributor to women's ill-health.

- **Online Discussion: Women and Health (including Reproductive Health, AIDS and Human Rights)**
  [www.un.org] Languages: English
  From October 2004 to January 2005, WomenWatch hosted a series of online discussions on the Platform's critical areas of concern and other important issues to provide input into the review and appraisal of the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action. All postings and background notes are available for reading as archived online discussion.

- **WHO/PAHO: Gender and public health series**
  [www.paho.org] Languages: English
  Publications series
• **WHO: The World Health Report**  
  [www.who.int] Languages: [English](http://www.who.int) | [French](http://www.who.int) | [Spanish](http://www.who.int)  
World Health Report archives since 1995

• **DESA/DAW: Women and Health: Mainstreaming the Gender Perspective into the Health Sector**  
  [www.un.org] Languages: [English](http://www.un.org)  
Information on an Expert Group Meeting organized by DAW in collaboration with WHO and UNFPA, 28 September - 2 October 1998

**HIV/AIDS**

• **UNIFEM/UNAIDS: Gender and HIV/AIDS web portal**  
  [www.genderandaids.org] Languages: [English](http://www.genderandaids.org)  
Collection of resources and information on HIV/AIDS

• **UNIFEM: Gender and HIV/AIDS: Empower Women, Halt HIV/AIDS**  
  [www.unifem.org] Languages: [English](http://www.unifem.org)  
Links to gender and HIV/AIDS

• **UNAIDS: Global Coalition on Women and AIDS**  
  [womenandaids.unaids.org] Languages: [English](http://www.genderandaids.org)  
The Coalition is a new initiative made up of activists, government representatives, community workers and celebrities, that seek to stimulate concrete action on the ground to improve the daily lives of women and girls.

• **UNAIDS: Mother-to-child Transmission of HIV**  
  [www.unaids.org] Languages: [English](http://www.unaids.org)  

• **UNAIDS/WHO AIDS Epidemic Update December 2006**  
  [www.unaids.org] Languages: [English](http://www.unaids.org) | [French](http://www.unaids.org) | [Spanish](http://www.unaids.org) | [Russian](http://www.unaids.org)  

• **UNESCO Guidelines on Language and Content in HIV-and AIDS-Related Materials**  
  [portal.unesco.org] Languages: [English](http://portal.unesco.org)  
This 61-page document argues for a harmonised use of language and content that reflect an approach to the epidemic which is comprehensive and inclusive, sensitive to the needs and issues of the whole population, but with attention focused on especially key populations vulnerable to HIV. UNESCO, 2006

• **Operational Guide on Gender and HIV/AIDS: A Rights-Based Approach**  
  [www.genderandaids.org] Languages: [English](http://www.genderandaids.org)  
This Operational Guide tries to make the relationship between gender, human rights and HIV/AIDS obvious. UNAIDS Interagency Task Team on Gender & HIV/AIDS, 2005

• **Transforming the National AIDS Response: Mainstreaming Gender Equality and Women's Human Rights into the "Three Ones"**  
  [www.unifem.org] Languages: [English](http://www.unifem.org)
This guide outlines a number of successful initiatives that demonstrate how incorporating a gender equality perspective into HIV/AIDS programmes and policies can transform national responses to the AIDS epidemic. It provides a number of tools, checklists and guidelines that have been developed to inform HIV/AIDS policies and frameworks and their implementation. This guide will be published soon. An Executive Summary is available in the meantime. UNIFEM, 2006

- **No Safety Signs Here - Study on Migration and HIV Vulnerability in Asia**
  [www.youandaids.org](http://www.youandaids.org) Languages: English
  This UNDP study endeavoured to examine general migration trends and processes in the Asia-Pacific region in the context of HIV vulnerabilities based on secondary data analysis. UNDP, 2004

- **Report Cards: HIV Prevention for Girls and Young Women**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  The Report Cards summarise the current situation of HIV prevention strategies and services for girls and young women ages 15-24 years in various countries. UNFPA, 2006

- **2006 Report on the global AIDS epidemic**
  [www.unaids.org](http://www.unaids.org) Languages: English
  This report includes country, regional and global estimates for the HIV and AIDS epidemic at the end of 2005 and 2003. It also describes the evidence, the success stories and the challenges that confront countries and the international community in responding to the epidemic. UNAIDS, 2006

- **Keeping the Promise: An Agenda for Action on Women and AIDS**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  AIDS is affecting women and girls in increasing numbers. That is why the UNAIDS-led Global Coalition on Women and AIDS is calling for a massive scaling up of AIDS responses for women and girls. Also available as fact sheet summary. UNAIDS, 2006

- **Intensifying Prevention: The Only Way to Reverse the Epidemic**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  In the absence of a cure, prevention is the only hope of reversing the epidemic. This will require intensifying the scale and scope of effective HIV-prevention measures. UNAIDS, 2005

- **HIV/AIDS, Gender and Sex Work**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  The great majority of HIV infections globally are due to sexual transmission. The links between sex work and HIV/AIDS have been a central concern in prevention and care efforts in many countries. UNAIDS, 2006

- **Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs of Women and Adolescent Girls Living with HIV**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  This research report explores the sexual and reproductive health intentions and needs of HIV positive women and adolescent girls in Brazil, Ethiopia and the Ukraine and probes issues relating to family planning, sexually transmitted infections, breast and cervical cancer, maternity care services and the prevention of mother-to-child transmission as well as issues of access and quality of care. UNFPA, 2006

- **Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS**
This Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS represents a consensus of Heads of State and Government and leaders from all parts of the world at the end of the General Assembly's High-Level review on AIDS in June 2006. It pledges to eliminate gender inequalities, gender-based abuse and violence, and to increase capacities of women and adolescent girls to protect themselves from the risk of HIV infection; United Nations, 2006

  [www.unifem.org ] Languages:  [English]
  To prepare a plan that outlines African women's perspectives and rights, a meeting was convened in Johannesburg, South Africa, in April 2006. The meeting resulted in the Johannesburg Position on Women and Girls' Rights and HIV/AIDS in Africa.

- **UNAIDS/WHO: AIDS epidemic update: December 2005**
  [www.unaids.org ] Languages:  [English]

- **UNAIDS: Gender & AIDS - Best Practices/Programmes that Work**
  [data.unaids.org ] Languages:  [English]

- **UNFPA: Preventing HIV Infection, Protecting Reproductive Health**
  [www.unfpa.org ] Languages:  [English]
  Programme briefs, regional information and publications.

- **UNFPA: Gender and HIV/AIDS**
  [www.unfpa.org ] Languages:  [English]
  Information about gender and HIV/AIDS

- **UNFPA: Preventing HIV/AIDS**
  [www.unfpa.org ] Languages:  [English]
  Briefing note

  [www.unfpa.org ] Languages:  [English]
  The Resource Pack analyzes the impact of gender relations on the AIDS epidemic and provides guidance, including tools for effective advocacy and programming.

- **WHO: HIV/AIDS**
  [www.who.int ] Languages:  [English]
  Fact sheets and links about HIV/AIDS

- **UNAIDS/FAO: Adressing the impact of HIV/AIDS on Ministries of Agriculture: Focus on Eastern and Southern Africa**
  [www.fao.org ] Languages:  [English | French | Spanish]
  2003 study

- **Turning the Tide: CEDAW and the Gender Dimensions**
  [www.genderandaids.org ] Languages:  [English]
  2001 UNIFEM publication [PDF]
• **DESA/DAW: "The Aids Pandemic and its Gender Implications"**
  [ www.un.org ] Languages: **English**
  Information on an Expert Group Meeting organized by DAW, WHO and UNAIDS, 13-17 November 2000

• **Women of Ukraine take a lead in tackling HIV/AIDS**
  [ www.un.kiev.ua ] Languages: **English**
  2004 article

• **UNIFEM: Community based Research: Gender dimensions of HIV/AIDS in Kyrgyzstan**
  [ www.genderandaids.org ] Languages: **English**
  Research summary

### Reproductive Health

• **UNFPA: Improving Reproductive Health**
  [ www.unfpa.org ] Languages: **English**

• **UNFPA: Improving Reproductive Health**
  [ www.unfpa.org ] Languages: **English**

• **WHO: Gender and reproductive rights**
  [ www.who.int ] Languages: **English**
  Includes feature pages, a collection of programming tools, and information on training and resources

• **WHO: Reproductive Health and Research**
  [ www.who.int ] Languages: **English**
  All the issues of reproductive health, 1994-2003

• **Future of sexual and reproductive health at tipping point according to global study**
  [ www.who.int ] Languages: **English**
  The first-ever global study of sexual and reproductive health - to be published in the medical journal The Lancet starting this week - shows a picture of declining financial support, increased political interference and an overall reluctance to tackle threats to sexual and reproductive health. WHO, 2006

• **Female Genital Mutilation and Obstetric Outcome: WHO study**
  [ www.who.int ] Languages: **English**
  Reliable evidence about the effect of female genital mutilation (FGM) on obstetric outcome is scarce. This WHO collaborative prospective study in six African countries examines the effect of different types of FGM on obstetric outcome.

• **Obstetric fistula: guiding principles for clinical management and programme development**
  [ www.who.int ] Languages: **English**
  WHO launched the first manual on obstetric fistula intended as a practical guide for use by healthcare professionals and planners, policy-makers and community leaders. It is expected to be widely
used in countries to implement effective programmes to dramatically reduce the number of women
developing obstetric fistula. WHO, 2006

- **From microfinance to macro change: integrating health education and microfinance to empower women and reduce poverty**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  This advocacy booklet calls for integration of reproductive health education with microfinance services in developing countries. It presents individual stories, case studies and dramatic findings to show the impact this combination can have on reducing poverty and improving individual lives. UNFPA, 2006

- **Renew - The Campaign to End Fistula**
  [www.endfistula.org](http://www.endfistula.org) Languages: English | French
  Obstetric fistula is a devastating injury of childbearing that leaves women with agonising pain, chronic incontinence and - in most cases - a stillborn baby. The global Campaign to End Fistula currently covers more than 35 countries in sub-Saharan Africa, South Asia and the Arab region. The goal is to make fistula as rare in developing countries as it is in the industrialized world. UNFPA, 2006

- **Worldbank: Population & Reproductive Health**
  [www1.worldbank.org](http://www1.worldbank.org) Languages: English

- **UNRISD: Reproductive and Sexual Rights: Charting the Course of Transnational Women's NGOs**
  [www.unrisd.org](http://www.unrisd.org) Languages: English
  Paper on the role played by transnational women's NGOs in the 1990s in the creation and implementation of international agreements related to reproductive and sexual rights, 2000

- **FAO: Provision of reproductive health services in sub-saharan Africa: Lessons, issues, challenges and the overlooked rural majority**
  [www.fao.org](http://www.fao.org) Languages: English
  2000 paper

- **FAO: TSS thematic workshop on male involvement in sexual and reproductive health programmes and services**
  [www.fao.org](http://www.fao.org) Languages: English
  Background information on 1999 workshop

- **FAO: Male involvement in reproductive health: Incorporating gender throughout the life cycle**
  [www.fao.org](http://www.fao.org) Languages: English
  Publication, 1998

- **UNFPA: Improving Reproductive Health**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English

- **UNFPA: Reproductive Health Fact Sheet**
  [www.unfpa.org](http://www.unfpa.org) Languages: English
  fact sheet
• **UNFPA: Making Motherhood Safer - Caring for Mothers in Their Time of Need**
  [www.unfpa.org] Languages: **English**

• **UNFPA: Reducing Maternal Mortality**
  [www.unfpa.org] Languages: **English**
  Article, 2002

• **UNFPA: Maternal Mortality Update 2002 - A Focus on Emergency Obstetric Care**
  [www.unfpa.org] Languages: **English** | French | Spanish
  [PDF]

• **UNFPA: A Time Between - Empower Girls to Delay Pregnancy until Physical and Emotional Maturity**
  [www.unfpa.org] Languages: **English**
  Article

• **UNFPA: Women's Empowerment and Reproductive Health -- Links through the Life Cycle**
  [www.unfpa.org] Languages: **English**
  Key issues related to reproductive health and rights that affect women throughout their lives

• **WorldBank: Safe Motherhood 2000 Initiative**
  [wbln0018.worldbank.org] Languages: **English**
  Link to publications and data

• **UNDPI: The Right to Reproductive and Sexual Health**
  [www.un.org] Languages: **English**
  Overview of women's reproductive health

**Resource & Materials**

http://www.worldaidscampaign.info/
http://www.unfpa.org/aids_clock/index.html (Videos, material)
http://www.fda.gov/opacom/lowlit/hlyheart.pdf (Health Brochure - Heart)
http://pubs.niaaa.nih.gov/publications/brochurewomen/women.htm (Brochures)
http://mentalhealth.samhsa.gov/publications/allpubs/CA-0038/default.asp (Brochures)
http://www.fda.gov/opacom/lowlit/englow.html (See all the available brochures below)

**Quick Information for Your Health**
The following titles represent easy-to-read health information available in both English and **Spanish**. Some titles are available as printable PDFs and as printed brochures for ordering.

**Ordering Brochures**
Obtain up to 50 printed brochures, free, by writing to: FDA, HFI-40, Rockville, MD 20857. Please include the publication number with your order.

**PDF Printing Options**

PDFs in two formats are available on some pages. The Standard Format PDF files are 8.5 x 11 inch and ready for convenient printing on office printers. The Brochure Format PDFs require printing double sided and folding and are suitable for commercial printing on press as well as on office printers.

- All the Brochures below are available in PDF Format – go to [http://www.fda.gov/opacom/lowlit/englow.html](http://www.fda.gov/opacom/lowlit/englow.html) and print.

- All brochures in Spanish are available in PDF Format – go to [http://www.fda.gov/opacom/lowlit/spanlow.html](http://www.fda.gov/opacom/lowlit/spanlow.html)

**Clinical Trials of Medical Treatments: Why Volunteer?** (FDA01-1294) -- Internet Only

Tests or studies of drugs or medical devices in people are conducted to find out whether they are safe and effective to use. This brochure explains the importance of clinical trials, informed consent and other ways volunteers are protected, as well as possible risks for volunteers.

**Coping with Bladder Problems** (FDA05-1103C)

The problem of incontinence, its causes and various treatments are discussed in this brochure.

**Diabetes** (FDA05-1106C)

Diabetes is a serious disease that should not be ignored. Comparisons between type 1 and type 2 diabetes, daily monitoring and careful control of blood sugar levels, weight control, and exercise are covered in this highly informative brochure.

**Eating for a Healthy Heart** (FDA05-1110C)

Heart disease is the No.1 cause of death in America. Choosing foods carefully, with emphasis on eating less fat and sodium, fewer calories and more fiber; diet tips; and how food labels can help in making healthy choices are some of what's covered.

**Eating Well as We Age** (FDA05-1107C)

Many older people have trouble eating well. This brochure gives ideas on what to do about problems with chewing, upset stomach, loss of appetite, shopping, cooking, and money. A short discussion on how to read food labels is also included in this very informative brochure.
**Feeding Baby With Breast Milk or Formula** (FDA05-1108C)
A comparison of infant formula and breast milk, including the bonuses of breast feeding, tips for breast-feeding success, how to choose infant formula, preparing formula safely and safe formula storage are all explained.

**Help Your Arthritis Treatment Work** (FDA05-1101C)
A basic description of arthritis and the importance of treatment forms the basis of this brochure. How to help the treatment work, talking to a doctor, caution using OTC medicines, the significance of rest and exercise and knowing all the facts are also discussed.

**How to Give Medicine to Children** (FDA05-1115C)
The proper ways to give medicine to children (both OTC and prescription) are thoroughly explained, including how to measure the correct dose when using dosage cups, cylindrical dosing spoons, droppers and syringes.

**How to Protect Yourself from AIDS** (FDA05-1100C)
The most common ways of contracting the disease and the HIV virus are explained. This brochure also describes how to avoid getting AIDS, how to use condoms, HIV testing, pregnancy and HIV, myths about AIDS and food safety rules to follow if infection is present.

**Keep Your Food Safe** (FDA05-1109C)
Food poisoning occurs when spoiled food is eaten. This brochure shows how to buy safe food and how to keep it safe in the home.

**Losing Weight Safely** (FDA03-1113C) -- **Internet Only**
Overweight people have an increased risk of high blood pressure, heart disease, and other illnesses. This brochure explains how to go about losing weight safely, the problems with fad diets and diet pills and the questions to ask before signing up for a weight loss program.

**Mammograms and Breast Cancer** (FDA05-1114C)
Mammograms are used to help find breast cancer at an early stage, when it can still be cured. Who gets breast cancer, the importance of self examination as well as doctor's exams, what to do if a mammogram shows a problem and treatments for breast cancer are all discussed.

**Medicines and Older Adults** (FDA 00-3237) -- **Internet Only**
Older people often take more medication and may react differently to them than younger
people. This brochure shows easy ways to take medicine, how to prevent drug side
effects, questions to ask the doctor or pharmacist and how to save money on medicine.

Protecting Your Child Against Serious Diseases: Making Sure Kids Get All Their 'Shots' (FDA03-1122C)
The importance of childhood vaccinations is the emphasis of this brochure. The types of
vaccines available, what they protect against, how they are given, the ages to get them
and possible side effects are detailed.

Protect Your Child from Poisons in Your Home (FDA 00-1262) -- Internet Only
Many items in the home can become poisons to children. This brochure covers the
potential danger of medicines and household products, how to poison proof the home, the
symptoms of poisoning and what to do if a child has been poisoned.

Safer Sunning in Seven Steps (FDA03-1118C) -- Internet Only
This brochure describes the dangers of harmful rays from the sun, sunlamps, and tanning
beds and who is at extra risk. The seven steps to safer sunning include tips for using
sunscreen products and how to check the skin for signs of skin cancer.

Straight Talk from FDA About Hearing Loss and Hearing Aids (FDA03-1111C) --
Internet Only
More than 25 million Americans have hearing loss. Possible reasons for this loss, hearing
tests, symptoms that might warrant a hearing aid or other treatment, types of hearing aids
and cochlear implants are included in this brochure.

The Truth About Choosing Medical Treatments (FDA) 00-1248) -- Internet Only
Many medicines and other options are available to treat health problems. Some of these
don't have FDA approval and can be detrimental. This brochure covers types of unproven
treatments, what to do before trying such a treatment and how to recognize a phony
treatment.

Use Medicine Safely (FDA03-1116C)
Medicines can help, but they can be harmful if not taken properly. This brochure covers
drug facts labels, the importance of talking about prescriptions with doctors and
pharmacists and the questions to ask, what to avoid when taking certain medication and
safety tips.

What to Do for Colds and Flu (FDA05-1105C)
The similarities and differences between influenza and colds are presented, including
when to call the doctor, ways to avoid getting a cold, shots and medication to prevent flu and what to do to relieve symptoms.

**What Kind of Birth Control is Best for You?** (FDA05-1102C) -- **Internet Only**
This brochure explains common methods used to prevent pregnancy, including birth control pills, condoms, spermicides, diaphragms, cervical caps, IUDs, sterilization and fertility awareness.

The documents in Portable Document Format (PDF) retain their original format. To view or print these documents, you must use the Adobe Acrobat viewer. Acrobat is free and available directly from Adobe's website with full installation instructions.

**Books Online**

**The Gender and HIV/AIDS Electronic Library**
UNIFEM, with support from UNAIDS, has released a Gender and HIV/AIDS Electronic Library on CD-ROM that compiles resources from this Web Portal. It includes research and studies, training resources and tools, and multimedia advocacy materials on the gender dimensions of the HIV/AIDS epidemic produced by a variety of organizations. The Gender and HIV/AIDS Electronic Library is fully searchable by keyword and includes an easy-to-use tool called "e-Course Builder," which supports the creation of a tailored training course using the resources on the CD-ROM.

**Heartbeat**
**Author:** James L. Marcum
**Publisher:** Review and Herald
Heart disease is a major concern for many Americans. Are you among the one in four who has heart disease and wants to know more? More patients confess a lack of understanding about the disease and its treatment, but they are discouraged when they discover most available print materials are too technical, too long and too difficult to read. This book is for you! Heartbeat is a plain-talk discussion about the causes and treatment of the country’s number one killer of adults. Could there be a better reference point in understanding the real truth when there is so much written about heart disease?
AIDS is affecting women and girls in increasing numbers. Globally, women comprise almost 50% of the people living with HIV. Nearly 25 years into the epidemic, gender inequality and the low status of women remain two of the principal drivers of HIV. Yet, current AIDS responses do not, on the whole, tackle the social, cultural and economic factors that put women at risk of HIV, and that unduly burden them with the epidemic's consequences. Major opportunities to stem the global AIDS epidemic have been missed. It is time the world's leaders lived up to their promises. That is why the UNAIDS-led Global Coalition on Women and AIDS is calling for a massive scaling up of AIDS responses for women and girls.

Also available:
Fact Sheet: Summary of An Agenda for Action on Women and AIDS - Strengthening the AIDS response for Women and Girls.

Online Campaign

http://www.genderandaids.org/Staying Alive is an international campaign which provides information on HIV/AIDS prevention and protection, promotes safer lifestyle choices and encourages people to fight the stigma and discrimination which still surrounds the disease.

www.staying-alive.org/
Resource Pack on Gender and HIV/AIDS
Publication date: 2006
Publisher: UNAIDS Inter-Agency Task Team on Gender and HIV/AIDS
Developed by the UNAIDS Inter-Agency Task Team on Gender and HIV/AIDS, this Resource Pack aims to strengthen the impact of national HIV/AIDS programmes by tackling a key underlying factor that fuels the epidemic: gender inequality.
http://www.unfpa.org/publications/detail.cfm?ID=319&filterListType=1

Change, Choice and Power: Young Women, Livelihoods and HIV Prevention
Author: IPPF, UNFPA, Young Positives
No. of pages: 38
Publication date: 2007
Languages: English
The urgency of addressing the vulnerability of young women and adolescent girls of all backgrounds, but particularly the poor, cannot be over stated. Innovative, far-reaching and rapid responses are needed to impact whole generations so that the Millennium Development Goals to reduce poverty can be within reach. This paper sets out to explore the relationship between economic independence, vulnerability to HIV infection, the level of sexual and reproductive health among women and adolescent girls, and gender-based violence.

Global Youth Partners Brochure Preventing HIV
Author: Global Youth Partners
No. of pages: 2
Publication date: 2004
Publisher: Global Youth Partners
Languages: English
Highlights of a groundbreaking initiative to support young leaders in their advocacy for increased access to information, education and services to help prevent HIV.
http://www.unfpa.org/publications/detail.cfm?ID=319&filterListType=1

- Free Publications for Women and Their Families
http://www.fda.gov/womens/pubs.html (All kinds of Fact Sheet and Brochures)
WOMAN’S WORKLOAD
Women’s Workload

Articles

- Changing your Work Culture
- Conclusions on Women Workload
- Confidence in the Workplace
- Fact Sheet
- Finding Family-Friendly Workplaces
- Gender Issues in Cooperatives
- Job Fulfillment
- Making the Most of Family Time
- Making your Interview Count
- Managing Conflict
- Negotiating your Rights
- Pregnancy at work
- Selected Bibliography on Women Faculty Issues
- Sharing the Load
- SITES
- Statement by the Representative of Cyprus
- Time Management
- WHRnet Women’s Human Rights Net
- Why Should I Work
- Women
- Women’s Workload and Its Impact on their Health and Nutritional Status
- Women Gender and Workload
- Women Workers
- Your Options
- The role of Women’s Workload in Passing on Poverty to the Next Generation
- Overwhelming Workload Stressing Out Working Women

Useful Links

General

http://app1.unmc.edu/forms/olson/brochureorderform.cfm
http://www.worknowman.com/
http://www.womenandequalityunit.gov.uk/women_work_commission/
http://www.ivillage.co.uk/workcareer/workrights
http://www.bls.gov/opub/working/page3a.htm
http://www.homepages.indiana.edu/031204/text/women2.shtml
http://www.motheratwork.co.uk/
http://www.ifad.org/gender/learning/sector/agriculture/w_ld.htm

**Material and Resources**

http://www.womenworking2000.com/books/index.php (Books on line)
http://ocp.hul.harvard.edu/ww/help.html
http://workwmn.meetup.com/263/messages/
http://www.careerwomen.com/pr_stressjob.jsp

**WOMEN AND WORK**

http://www.library.wisc.edu/libraries/WomensStudies/othsubj.htm from this site you can access all the information below:

- Women's Resources from the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees (AFSCME).
- Gender Differences in Pay, a Russell Sage Foundation Working Paper by Francine D. Blau and Lawrence M. Kahn (pdf file; 38 p.)
- Working Women section of the AFL-CIO website
- The Glass Ceiling: A Selected Bibliography
- Glass Ceiling Commission
- Progress of the World's Women is a biennial report from UNIFEM. The report for 2005 is on Women, Work, and Poverty, which "makes the case for an increased focus on women’s informal employment as a key pathway to reducing poverty and strengthening women’s economic security."
- Sloan Work and Family Research Network
- Women and the Economy, from UN Platform for Action Committee Manitoba (UNPAC)
- Women's Bureau, U.S. Dept. of Labor
- Working Together

**Balancing Workload**

Web site: http://ag.arizona.edu/calswomen/bib_on_women's_issues.htm (Click in this site and take all the information below)


General


Mentoring


http://www.workingmother.com/?service=vpage/106

http://www.hbwm.com/

Books Online
Briefcase Moms
Author: Lisa Martin
http://www.briefcasemoms.com/book/Briefcase Moms presents a combination of coaching philosophy and practical working mother advice. A complete program of self-discovery and intentional change, it provides you with the tools and a plan to map your path to balance. Practical, entertaining and inspiring, this book is for individuals who want success in all areas of their lives. In a down-to-earth and engaging style, Lisa shares her 10-step program and helps you make the right choices, take action and coach yourself to live the life you want.

Why Do I Always Feel Guilty? : Breaking Free From The Superwoman Trap (Paperback)
Author: Mary Whelchel
Publisher: Harvest House (Jan 15 2007)
So many women feel the pressure to make all wrongs right, meet everyone’s needs, fulfill personal expectations, and juggle busy lives without breaking a sweat. And when they fall short, a pattern of guilt–ridden living begins. Mary Whelchel, director of women’s ministries at The Moody Church in Chicago, shares the biblical and practical truths she discovered and helps women experience freedom from guilt as they stop condemning themselves when they say no understand how negative thinking undermines God’s truth seek God’s forgiveness and release true guilt trade comparisons and unrealistic expectations for joy. Compassionate and wise guidance will lead women who are burdened by guilt to the abundant life that Jesus intended for them.

If Only You Knew (Paperback)
Author: Mary Whelchel
Publisher: Victor Books (CO) (July 1997)
Explore the lives of both biblical women and modern-day women who have struggled to find meaning and purpose in life. It is a message of hope for women today, showing that nothing can disqualify them from God's astonishing grace.
Quiet Moments for Working Women (Paperback)
**Author:** Mary Whelchel  
**Publisher:** Servant Publications (January 1999)
Quiet Moments for Working Women offers 130 daily readings that blend business savvy and spiritual insights to help you meet challenges with confidence. Each meditation includes a Scripture to ponder, a prayer starter, and a daily challenge.

How to Thrive From 9 to 5 (Paperback)
**Author:** Mary Whelchel  
**Publisher:** Servant Publications (July 1999)
Combining humor, practicality and biblical principles, this book inspires readers to look at their work lives in a more positive light. Includes: communicating effectively, making a good first impression, and handling difficult co-workers and customers. Fun and easy self-tests in each chapter help the reader evaluate their performance while charting a course for improvement.

The Christian Working Woman: What You Need to Know (Paperback)
**Author:** by Mary Whelchel  
**Publisher:** Revell; 2 edition (April 15 1998)
In this book the author encourages you to view your workplace as the corner of the world where God has sent you to represent Jesus Christ and His love. You will find a sound, biblical approach for handling such matter as: witnessing, an impossible boss, feminine assertiveness, managing male subordinates.
Empowering Young Women to Lead Change: A Training Manual
Author: UN
Publisher: UNFPA
This easy-to-follow resource manual can help young women prepare and facilitate training sessions on a host of issues that are important to them. A joint publication of the World YWCA and UNFPA, the manual was developed by young women. It contains modules on young women's leadership, economic justice, HIV and AIDS, human rights, peace, self esteem and body image, sexual and reproductive health and violence against women.

Further Readings for Working Mothers

http://www.momsrefuge.com/index.html

http://www.motheratwork.co.uk/

Having it All? - Choices for Today's Superwoman, by Paula Nicolson
Published by Wiley.
An indepth look at the profile of today's wannabe Superwomen; can we really have it all? This book is great at analysing why we want to have it all and puts alot of the pressures behind this need into perspective. The first book I've seen that actually asks the question 'glittering career or motherhood?' and uses real women as case studies, not all with happy endings but if you don't learn something from this book, you must have had your eyes closed! Carol Smillie's Working Mum's Handbook, by Carol Smillie

Carol Smillie's Working Mum's Handbook, by Carol Smillie
Published by Ted Smart.
Carol’s book covers a wealth of information and does cover off issues such as tax credits and work-life balance, maternity leave etc. However, small point, but no pictures of the children at all while plenty of Carol looking groomed and, well, smiley.. but if you can get past that, it's actually a well written and well advised book with a good directory at the back.

Parenting With Spirit, by Jane Bartlett
Published by Random House.
If you're expecting to be preached at, then forget it. This book couldn't be further from preachy! It achieves its aim in being totally accessible and friendly, bringing some much needed quality thought into the way we live our hectic lives. Written by a mother of
three, it has great advice on building a closer, more memorable bond with your family in ways you'll all enjoy, sometimes by doing an activity, sometimes by just thinking about situations in a different way