

Workshop

***‘Creating safe spaces to talk about unsafe relationships:
Developing guidance for children and young people’s participatory involvement in research about sexual violence’***

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YRAP Statement;

'The Young Researcher's Advisory Panel is made up of young people who are committed to developing research that improves outcomes for children and young people. The group represents a diversity of views and perspectives and is united by a commitment to the prevention and intervention of sexual violence. Members work in a professional capacity to support the work of the centre and improve engagement of children and young people and wider communities in the centre's research and dissemination'.

'Being Heard': where are children's and young people's voices in research on sexual violence?

- Collaboration between International Centre and SVRI
- Scoping on children's involvement in participatory research on sexual violence
- Child protection concerns override participatory rights in research on sexual violence
- Identify and address barriers to enable children affected by sexual violence to engage in the production of knowledge on the topic

Global scoping

Methods:

- Review academic and grey literature;
- Elicit data through a Call for Evidence;
- Conduct key informant interviews;
- Consult with workshop participants (*i.e. you!*) at SVRI Forum 2017.

How will this data be used?

- *You will be asked for consent for this data to be used in the scoping;*
- The data will be anonymised so that contributions cannot be traced to individuals;
- Participation is voluntary. You are free to withdraw consent and leave the workshop at any time;
- Feel free to raise any questions or concerns during or after the workshop.

What do we mean by involving children and young people in participatory research?

- High degree of *collaboration* between those who are normally solely the 'subjects' of research and those undertaking research;
- Initiatives that create opportunities for children and young people to influence the research process *beyond* solely providing information; e.g. informing research questions; sampling; research design; governance; data collection; data analysis; reporting and dissemination.

Levels of participation in research (Shaw, Brady and Davey, 2011)

Children consulted
on aspects of the
research process

Children
collaborate and
work in partnership
with researchers

Children supported
to lead and have
ownership over the
research process

Shaw, Brady and Davey (2011) Lansdown and O’Kane (2016)

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