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Dear NVG&G-members,

In this newsletter, and to the best of our knowledge, we aim to provide an update of the latest sex- and gender-related knowledge, literature, and news on Covid-19 and sex/gender. We still need your help! Please send us resources, links to media outlets, literature, etc, so that we can disseminate quickly (info@genderengezondheid.nl). Our focus is not on the biological and medical aspects of the outbreak alone, but rather we aim for a broad overview and understanding of coronavirus COVID-19 and how it is related to sex and gender (see figure 1).

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

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

General information International			
<i>Source</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Link</i>	<i>Content</i>
WHO	Emergency. Coronavirus disease (COVID-19) pandemic	https://www.who.int/	News, information, links, situation reports, latest numbers, online training
WHO	Rolling updates on coronavirus-disease (COVID-19)	https://www.who.int/news-room/feature-stories/detail/who-health-alert-brings-covid-19-facts-to-billions-via-whatsapp	Offers the possibility for updates through WhatsApp
Centers for Disease Control CDC	Coronavirus (COVID 19)	https://www.coronavirus.gov/	
National Institutes of Health NIH	COVID-19 is an emerging, rapidly evolving situation	https://www.nih.gov/health-information/coronavirus	Research updates
Nacoti et al. (2020)	At the Epicenter of the Covid-19 Pandemic and Humanitarian Crises in Italy: Changing Perspectives on Preparation and Mitigation. NEJM, March 21 2020.	https://catalyst.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/CAT.20.0080	“Western health care systems have been built around the concept of patient-centered care, but an epidemic requires a change of perspective toward a concept of community-centered care.” “Coronavirus is the Ebola of the rich and requires a coordinated transnational effort. It is not particularly lethal, but it is very contagious. The more medicalized and centralized the society, the more widespread the virus.”
Ars Technica	Don't panic: The comprehensive Ars Technica guide to the corona virus	https://arstechnica.com/science/2020/03/dont-panic-the-comprehensive-ars-technica-guide-to-the-coronavirus/	Updated daily at 3 PM EDT.
New South Wales Government Australia	Latest updates on COVID-19 (Coronavirus)	https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/diseases/Pages/covid-19-latest.aspx	Age and sex breakdown of confirmed cases, plus other information
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Adams, J.G., Walls, R.M. (2020)	Supporting the Health Care Workforce During the COVID-19 Global Epidemic. JAMA, March 12, 2020. doi:10.1001/jama.2020.3972	https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/fullarticle/2763136	Focus on recommended barrier precautions (such as masks, gloves, gowns, and eye wear) and other measures, mainly on hospital – no gender perspective,
Ioannidis, J. (2020)	Coronavirus disease 2019: the harms of exaggerated information and non-evidence-based measures. European Journal of Clinical Investigation, Editorial https://doi.org/10.1111/eci.13222	https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1111/eci.13222	Abstract: The evolving coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic ¹ is certainly cause for concern. Proper communication and optimal decision-making is an ongoing challenge, as data evolve. The challenge is compounded, however, by exaggerated information. This can lead to inappropriate actions. It is important to differentiate promptly the true epidemic from an epidemic of false claims and potentially harmful actions.

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

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

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

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

	<i>Respiratory Medicine</i> , March 11, 2020		
Wenham, C., Smith, J., Morgan, R. on behalf of the Gender and COVID-19 Working Group (2020)	COVID-19: the gendered impacts of the outbreak. <i>The Lancet</i> , March 6, 2020	https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lancet/article/PIIS0140-6736(20)30526-2/fulltext?te=1&nl=in-her%20words&emc=edit_gn_20200312	Quick overview of issues pertaining to sex/gender in COVID-19 response. “We call on governments and global health institutions to consider the sex and gender effects of the COVID-19 outbreak, both direct and indirect, and conduct an analysis of the gendered impacts of the multiple outbreaks, incorporating the voices of women on the front line of the response to COVID-19 and of those most affected by the disease within preparedness and response policies or practices going forward.”
UN, 19 March 2020	Paying attention to women’s needs and leadership will strengthen COVID-19 response	https://www.unwomen.org/en/news/stories/2020/3/news-womens-needs-and-leadership-in-covid-19-response	Worldwide, 70% of health care workers are female, women are more often informal carers, lack of health insurance, insecure incomes, access to pre-/postnatal health care at risk, access to menstrual hygiene for health care workers, increase in violence, food insecurity,
UN, 19 March 2020 <i>Gender in Humanitarian Action</i>	The COVID-19 outbreak and gender	https://www.unwomen.org/-/media/headquarters/attachments/sections/news%20and%20events/stories/2020/giha%20wg%20advocacy%20brief%20gender%20impact%20covid19.pdf?la=en&vs=5651	Exacerbated burden of care on women, unaddressed needs of women health care workers, increase in gender-based violence, impact on women’s economic independence, impact on women migrant workers, interrupted access to sexual and reproductive health care, exclusion from leadership roles, need for targeted/intersectional approaches (disability, age)
CDC, 17 March 2020	Information about Coronavirus Disease 2019 – Pregnancy and breastfeeding	https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/prepare/pregnancy-breastfeeding.html	There is no knowledge on the risk of COVID-19 for pregnant mothers, pregnancy outcomes, whether it can be passed on during delivery, whether it transmits via breast milk.
Women in Global Health	OPERATION 50/50: Women’s Perspectives Save Lives	https://www.womeningh.org/operation-50-50	In partnership with Women of Color Advancing Peace and Security , Women in Global Health is compiling a list of expert women who are working to strengthen global, regional, national, and local capacities to prevent, detect, and respond to outbreaks.
Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters	COVID-19: What implications for sexual and reproductive health and rights globally?	https://zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_f-RHvxnsQAKu_ZyEj1X2lw	Webinar Mar 27, 2020 03:00 PM
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UN Women, 23 March 2020	WOMEN’S NEEDS AND GENDER EQUALITY IN LEBANON’S COVID-19 RESPONSE	https://arabstates.unwomen.org/en/news/in-focus/in-focus-gender-equality-in-covid-19-response	Call for gender in Lebanon’s country response, and guidelines for doing so in short- and long-term action. As an infection, COVID-19 seems to affect women less severely, but gender impacts are disproportionate. Lebanon has one of the highest gender gaps in the world. The report outlines key gender issues such as GBV and disrupted services, higher risks for instance for cleaners working in deserted spaces, lack of

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

			<p>States of America), although both the Netherlands and Spain informed us that they were in the process of compiling sex-disaggregated data but they were not available at the time of reporting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explanations focus on the immune system and underlying illnesses.
Lai, J., Ma, S., Cai, Z., et al. (2020)	Factors Associated With Mental Health Outcomes Among Health Care Workers Exposed to Coronavirus Disease 2019 Global Health JAMA Netw Open. 2020; 3(3):e203976. doi: 10.1001/jamanetworkopen.2020.3976	https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamanetworkopen/fullarticle/2763229	
Sexual and Reproductive Health Matters, Journal		http://www.srhm.org/call-for-papers-covid19/	<p>CALL FOR PAPERS: COVID-19 An Open Call for Papers SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS IN THE ERA OF COVID-19</p>
Wenham et al., 27 March 2020	Abortion and COVID-19: why we need to support women's right to abortion in health emergencies	https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/politicsandpolicy/abortion-and-covid-19/	<p>On 23 March, the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care approved emergency measures relating to abortion regulation which would have revolutionised abortion practice in England.</p>
UN, n.d.	UN working to ensure vulnerable groups not left behind in COVID-19 response	https://www.un.org/en/coronavirus-communications-team/un-working-ensure-vulnerable-groups-not-left-behind-covid-19	
Sheroes is a collaborative project bringing together UK and international artists, feminist organisations, charities and the general public. This is a platform for women*	The Women & COVID-19 Library	https://www.whoisyourshero.com/inspiration/women-and-covid19/	Resources on women/gender and COVID-19

artists, allies and organisations to use their creative expression to give a voice to, and turn our eyes towards, silenced and overlooked heroines – sheroes – throughout herstory and visual art, and offer inspiring female role models for us all.			
		<p>Webinar on African Feminist and Anti-Capitalist Responses to COVID-19 31 March 2020, 3pm GMT Zoom Link: https://zoom.us/j/599930767</p>	
FIGO, International Federation of Gynaecologists and Midwives, 12 March 2020	COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Statement	https://www.figo.org/news/covid-19-coronavirus-statement1	
Centre for Feminist Foreign Policy		https://centreforfeministforeignpolicy.org/feminist-resources-on-the-pandemic	The response to the current pandemic is in dire need of feminist perspectives, especially as we are already seeing the gendered impact it is having. We hope you find this page to be a useful resource in staying informed and making sure that during this time, we both protect the most vulnerable and ensure that governments' responses to this pandemic don't trigger a roll back on women's and human rights.
Atria, 26 maart 2020	Waarom het belangrijk is te kijken naar man/vrouw verschillen in tijden van corona	https://atria.nl/nieuws-publicaties/beeldvorming-stereotypering/waarom-het-belangrijk-is-te-kijken-naar-man-vrouw-verschillen-in-tijden-van-corona/	

News on sex/gender and corona			
<i>Source</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Link</i>	<i>Take home</i>
The Hill, n.d.	Coronavirus appears to be more fatal in men than in women	https://thehill.com/changing-america/well-being/prevention-cures/488507-coronavirus-appears-to-be-more-fatal-in-men-than	70% of coronavirusdeaths in Italy in men In China, 64% of deaths in men In South Korea 54% of deaths in men Links to CDC, reports, Chinese CDC
New York Times, 3 March 2020	What pregnant mothers should know about coronavirus	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/03/health/coronavirus-pregnant-women-babies.html	
Forbes, 6 March 2020	Do men and women have a corona virus risk gap	https://www.forbes.com/sites/carmenniethammer/2020/03/06/do-women-and-men-have-a-coronavirus-risk-gap/#674d70446826	The need for sex and gender segregated data on infection and mortality rate
BBC, 8 March 2020	Are women and children less affected?	https://www.bbc.com/news/health-51774777	Possibly, differences in smoking rates are responsible (lifestyle), as well as differences in the immune system
BBC, 8 March 2020	Coronavirus: Five ways virus upheaval is hitting women in Asia	https://www.bbc.com/news/world-asia-51705199	School closures, partner violence, frontline care workers, migrant domestic helpers, longer term economic impact
New York Times, 12 March 2020	Why Women May Face a Greater Risk of Catching Coronavirus	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/12/us/women-coronavirus-greater-risk.html	Women as formal and informal health care workers
France24, 13 March 2020	Gender and the coronavirus. How is the epidemic impacting women?	https://www.france24.com/en/20200313-51percent-gender-and-the-coronavirus-why-are-more-men-dying-than-women	Video. Interview with immunologist prof.dr. Sabra Klein, Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health
MsMagazine, 13 March 2020	The Coronavirus Gender Gap	https://msmagazine.com/2020/03/13/coronavirus-covid19-gender-gap-women-workers-nurses-teachers-flight-airline-attendants/	Women as carers, but also women's risk for job loss: flight attendants, domestic workers, teachers, nurses
Beckers Hospital Review, 13 March 2020	Gender roles and the coronavirus: Why women may have higher risk of catching COVID-19	https://www.beckershospitalreview.com/population-health/gender-roles-and-the-coronavirus-why-women-may-have-higher-risk-of-catching-covid-19.html	Women's roles in society pose higher risks. Compared to physicians, nurses have higher levels of exposure to diseases

SciDevNet, 16 March 2020	'Gender blind' coronavirus policies could hinder disease fight	https://www.scidev.net/global/gender/news/gender-blind-coronavirus-policies-could-hinder-disease-fight.html	Women at higher risk of infection, but have less power in decision-making Action plans that don't take into account gender differences will be less effective Economic and health impacts as schools close and travel bans set in
IPS Newsnet, 17 March 2020	Gender "could be Coronavirus key"	https://www.ipsnews.net/2020/03/gender-coronavirus-key/	Globally, women make up about 70 per cent of the health workforce and are primarily responsible for childcare, particularly in countries where schools have closed. Not recognising that this creates different needs means you're then not creating policy to mitigate against it
TIME, 18 March 2020	As cities around the world go on lock down, victims of domestic violence look for a way out	https://time.com/5803887/coronavirus-domestic-violence-victims/	COVID-19 is used by abusers to further isolate victims or threaten them. Women are the most likely victims. People who are already in an abusive situation run the risk of facing more extreme violence
NOS, 19 March 2020	Ziekenhuisbevallingen en verloskundige zorg onder druk door corona	https://nos.nl/artikel/2327675-ziekenhuisbevallingen-en-verloskundige-zorg-onder-druk-door-corona.html	Hospital deliveries and obstetrical care under pressure in the Netherlands. Women may be required to have home births. The Dutch health care system is organized for homebirths but women now may not have a choice
The Atlantic, 19 March 2020	The coronavirus is a disaster for feminism. Pandemics affect men and women differently	https://www.theatlantic.com/international/archive/2020/03/feminism-womens-rights-coronavirus-covid19/608302/	"The coronavirus crisis will be global and long-lasting, economic as well as medical. However, it offers an opportunity. This could be the first outbreak where gender and sex differences are recorded, and taken into account by researchers and policy makers. For too long, politicians have assumed that child care and elderly care can be "soaked up" by private citizens—mostly women—effectively providing a huge subsidy to the paid economy. This pandemic should remind us of the true scale of that distortion."
Daily Mail, 20 March 2020	More than 70% of coronavirus deaths in Italy are men and scientists admit they are 'mystified' by the disparity between genders	https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-8135211/More-70-coronavirus-deaths-Italy-men.html	Sex differences in infection and mortality rates in Italy – possibly explained by smoking, alcohol use, underlying illnesses, sex differences in immune system
Kaiser, 20 March 2020	Coronavirus: A Look at Gender Differences in Awareness and Actions	https://www.kff.org/womens-health-policy/issue-brief/coronavirus-a-look-at-gender-differences-in-awareness-and-actions/	More Women than Men Worry about Getting Sick and Losing Income Women more Likely than Men to Report Mental Health Effects from Worrying about Coronavirus Women Have Been More Proactive in Response to the COVID-19 Outbreak
The Guardian, 21 March 2020	For some people, social distancing means being	https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2020/mar/21/coronavirus-domestic-violence-week-in-	Coronavirus will lead to an increase in domestic violence. Gender-based violence tends to increase during humanitarian emergencies and conflicts. Coronavirus caused

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

National Post, 23 March 2020	Canadian women far more worried about pandemic than men, poll shows	https://nationalpost.com/news/politics/canadian-women-are-far-more-worried-about-covid-19-than-men-poll	Canadian poll from Abacus Data: Men less likely to worry, and also less likely to follow up on advice (not doing social distancing), mostly young men and older men
The Conversation, 23 March 2020	Why a one-size-fits-all approach to COVID-19 could have lethal consequences	https://theconversation.com/why-a-one-size-fits-all-approach-to-covid-19-could-have-lethal-consequences-134252	
Daily Nation, 24 March 2020	UN Chief seeks gender-responsive strategies on COVID-19	https://www.nation.co.ke/gender/UN-boss-seeks-gender-responsive-strategies/5362750-5501222-7gq04vz/index.html	Gendered risks, also focus on need for disaggregated data: infection rates, economic impacts, differential care burden, incidence of GBV, embedding gender dimensions and experts in response plans and budget resources, providing access to women-friendly protective measures and personal hygiene for health care workers, flexible working arrangements for women with care tasks, targeting health messages to marginalized women, providing essential health services to women including SRH
NRC, 24 March 2020	Wie valt ten prooi aan het coronavirus? Iedereen, maar mannen worden zieker	https://www.nrc.nl/nieuws/2020/03/24/wie-valt-ten-prooi-aan-het-coronavirus-iedereen-maar-mannen-worden-zieker-a3994769	Focus on underlying illnesses, and 2:1 mortality rates (M:F), interview with Sabine Oertelt-Prigione, about sex differences in immune system and most likely because of genetic differences (double X-chromosome), immune response to virus seems to be controlled better in women. She thinks that oestrogen is not likely to play a role as sex differences also occur in the elderly. Smoking as an explanation for sex difference is also questionable because younger generations also show similar death rates and younger patients are less likely to smoke.
New York Times, 25 March 2020	Nurses share coronavirus stories anonymously in an online document	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/25/business/media/coronavirus-nurses-stories-anonymous.html	
Transactivists, 25 March 2020	Covid-19: Community response	https://transactivists.org/covid-19/	The community response is crucial during this extraordinary period. We must remain vigilant, document, and report any human rights violations, interruptions of services and care.
BBC News, 26 March 2020	Coronavirus: Malaysian men in shopping muddle amid lockdown	https://www.bbc.com/news/blogs-news-from-elsewhere-52040256	
Devex, Rhoopa Dhatt, 27 March 2020	Global health security depends on women	https://www.devex.com/news/opinion-global-health-security-depends-on-women-96861?access_key=&utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=newswir	

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The Guardian, 27 March 2020	Global condom shortage looms as coronavirus shuts down production	https://www.theguardian.com/world/2020/mar/27/global-condom-shortage-coronavirus-shuts-down-production?CMP=Share_iOSApp_Other	Biggest producer: Already a shortfall of 100 m condoms
ICAEW, 27 March 2020	Covid-19: Gender pay gap reporting deadlines suspended	https://www.icaew.com/insights/viewpoints-on-the-news/2020/mar-2020/covid-19-gender-pay-gap-reporting-deadlines-suspended	
New York Times, 28 March 2020	'Women Will Not Be Forced to Be Alone When They Are Giving Birth'	https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/28/parenting/nyc-coronavirus-hospitals-visitors-labor.html?referringSource=articleShare	
The Guardian, 29 March 2020	State control over women's bodies is an unforeseen outcome of the coronavirus crisis	https://www.theguardian.com/commentisfree/2020/mar/29/state-control-womens-bodies-covid-19-crisis	