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Evidence of sociocultural factors influencing intimate partner violence against young women (15-24 years) in sub-Saharan Africa, a systematic scoping review protocol

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It is concerning that despite the world conference on human rights and the declaration on the elimination of all forms of violence against women, intimate partner violence against women around the world continues to rise. There is consensus that women who are subjected to IPV are more likely to acquire negative health outcomes which include unwanted pregnancy, sexually transmitted infections including HIV, injuries, murders and consequences for community and countries' economy. Young women are the group at increasingly risk for IPV and its consequences since they are facing a transitional time of physical and cognitive changes and experimentation also is often the time that they initiate relationships and engage in risky behaviors, such as substance and alcohol abuse and sexual risk behaviors. The theoretical model of IPV suggests that IPV is a result of the interaction between personal, situational and sociocultural factors. The proposed scoping review aims to map literature on the factors influencing Intimate partner violence against young women in Sub-Saharan Africa context. The search strategy for this scoping review study will involve electronic databases, two-stage mapping strategy, parallel screening and data extraction by two reviewers. study access of quality of the included studies using the mixed methods appraisal tool (MMAT) and NVIVO version 10. The study anticipates finding relevant studies reporting evidence on the factors influencing intimate partner violence against young women in Sub-Saharan Africa. The evidence obtained from the included studies, when summarized will help guide future Research in the field.

Biography

Maria Suzana Bata is a PhD student at University of Kwazulo Natal. As part of her studies is conducting a research entitled: Sociocultural factors influencing intimate partner violence among young women aged 15-24 in Maputo city (Mozambique). As a first objective of this research she proposes to conduct a scoping review to document evidence in sociocultural factors of intimate partner violence against young women (aged 15-24) in a context of Sub Saharan Africa. She has Master in maternal health and she acts as lecturer at High Instituto of Health Science, lecturing disciplines of maternal and reproductive health.

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