

Article Title: Violence Against Women in Liberia: Characteristics, Contributing Factors, Service Utilization, and Interventions (2020 - 2025)

Reviewer's comment

1. After reviewing this manuscript, the reviewer is left with the question of what is the “why”. What is different from this manuscript than the other manuscripts/research articles that are noted various times within the discussion? How is this manuscript’s discussion different and therefore important to readers?. This manuscript does not present new research and therefore must present information that has been gathered that is new, addresses the “why” and it important to the greater scientific community. In its current format, this is not accomplished.

2. Title appears for presented manuscript and the abstract appears as an appropriate lead way into the manuscript.

3. The following APA errors were noted:

- WHO should be defined under first citation it appears rather than second (beginning on page two)
- citation should appear before period ending the sentence (beginning on page two)
- all discussion should be presented in well-formed paragraphs (beginning on page eight)

The following sections require additional discussion:

- How can the access to education be improved for both women and men? What is the greater impact of this barrier? What intervention is required to over this barrier?
- How does poverty further exasperate issues of IPV, mental health and stress within the home?
- What is the impact of pattern and barriers. If specific networks are not sought, what is the impact? What intervention and additional interventions are required?
- What are the specific service options? How often are these services utilized? Are individuals aware of these services?
- What specific interventions are available and most appropriate?

4. Ensure that older references are supported with new references (beginning on page two)- United Nations (1993). All references should be dated within the last seven years to uphold the most up to date professional and practice standards. This is noted throughout the manuscript regarding multiple references. Above is the first incident, additional occurrences are not specifically noted but were noted by reviewer and were not supported with more current references.

5. There do not appear to be ethical concerns within this manuscript.

6. Manuscript requires major revisions that are outlined in the above feedback.