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# Plan Overview

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**Title:** Improved understandings of health services for male and LGBTQI+ survivors of conflict related sexual violence in Iraq

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**Template:** Data Management Plan for masters & undergraduate students

## **Project abstract:**

CRSV against men, boys and LGBTI+ people is substantially underreported. The objective of the project is to conduct a scoping study of current health and psycho-social responses for survivors in Iraq. We will identify current barriers in the access and support of these services and provide policy recommendations from our findings. This will inform ASP's understanding of the strengths and weaknesses of service providers for male and LGBTI+ survivors of CRSV. The results of the study will inform ASP's work in Iraq, to improve inclusive responses.

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# Improved understandings of health services for male and LGBTQI+ survivors of conflict related sexual violence in Iraq

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## Cyber Security Awareness

Can you confirm that you have completed the cyber security awareness course?

- Yes

## Overview

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## Project Details

### Dissertation/ project title:

Improved understandings of health services for male and LGBTQI+ survivors of conflict related sexual violence in Iraq

**Please summarise your research question in no more than three sentences:**

- Who are the main actors providing health and MHPSS responses in Iraq?
- To what extent do these actors respond to sexual violence against men, boys and LGBTI+ individuals?
- What barriers do these groups of survivor's face in accessing health services?

## **Data Collection**

**Will you be using any secondary data for this project? Please outline what kind of secondary data you will be using below:**

We will be using secondary datasets and sources from LSE Library, resting primarily on a realist literature review of academic and grey literature on healthcare responses/ MHPSS to sexual violence in Iraq.

**Will you require access to any secure datasets i.e. datasets to which LSE Library does not have a subscription, which will need to be requested directly from the supplier:**

- Not sure

**Will you require access to any internal LSE datasets for this project?**

- No

**Will you be collecting primary data from research participants?**

- Yes

**What research methods will you use for data collection (You can select as many as apply)**

- Questionnaires/ surveys
- Interviews

**You ticked 'Other.' Please can you explain what research method(s) you plan to use for data collection below:**

Question not answered.

**Please can you describe how you plan on conducting data collection using these methods:**

Interviews will be in-depth and semi-structured, participants will consist of key informants, service providers and experts, with a focus on interviews with the UN and NGOs.

Prior to interviewing, we will curate an interview guide, ethics form, and obtain recorded consent. ASP will be assisting with the interviewing process by connecting us with partner organisations, such as MSF, IRC, WHO, as well as national Iraqi organisations. We aim to include a wide range of interviewees including primary and secondary health centres run by various actors including independent NGOs, counsellors, one-stop centres and the private sector in Iraq.

Interviews will be conducted predominately in English however, we can facilitate interviews in Arabic, where necessary.

## **Research Ethics**

**Please explain how you will collect informed consent:**

We will be obtaining written consent where possible. Audio consent would only be used in circumstances where we could not obtain written consent, such as if the participant was not able to write. All consent forms will be stored on the LSE One Drive, which is a secured and encrypted system.

**Once you have collected proof of consent, you will need to store it safely. Please can you explain below how you plan to do this:**

Consent forms will be sent to all interviewees carefully explaining the aim and purpose of the study. Key informants will be informed on their rights regarding both participation and withdrawal from the study; and asked to confirm their understanding of each section of the consent form by filling in a written form which will be collected and stored safely on an encrypted One-Drive Folder.

## **Have you submitted a research ethics review for this project?**

- Yes

## **If you are collecting primary data from research participants, you are required to anonymise the dataset so that individuals are not identifiable. How do you plan to do this?**

Primary data collected from participants will be anonymised, removing direct and indirect information. Specifically we will be redacting key details that may possibly reveal an individual's identity, including age, location, job role etc.

Our data will be collected by the researchers as identified in this form. We have made it clear in our consent forms that all researchers involved in this project will have access to the data collected. All data will be stored on the LSE one drive, which is a secured and encrypted system. Access can only be obtained by direct invitation to the drive and only to those with an LSE account. Our data will be anonymised – no name or identifying information will be used in any reports or publications resulting from the study. All digital files, transcripts and summaries will be given codes and stored separately from any names or other direct identification of participants.

Limits to confidentiality: confidentiality will be maintained as far as it is possible, unless a participant tells us something which implies that they or someone they mention might be in significant danger of harm and unable to act for themselves; in this case, we may have to inform the relevant agencies of this, but we would discuss this with them first.

## **Are there any circumstances where you will not anonymise research participants?**

- No

## **Data Protection**

**Do you believe your research will require you to fill in a [data protection impact assessment](#)?**

- Yes

## **Data Storage & Security**

**Are you the lone researcher on this project or do you have collaborators?**

- I have collaborators

**Could you outline how you plan to share data between members in your research team:**

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**Will you require any additional research tools to complete your project?**

- Not sure

**Please can you supply details/ links to any additional research tools you'll be using below:**

N/A

**What hardware will you require to complete this project (you can select more than one option):**

- LSE Laptop/ desktop PC
- Personal laptop/ desktop PC

**You selected 'Other.' Please can you explain what other hardware you will use on this project:**

N/A

**Do all personal devices used on this project meet the LSE's [minimum standards](#)**

**for device level security?**

- Yes

**Are all personal devices used on this project secured with passwords that meet the standard of the LSE [password policy](#)?**

- Yes

**Where will you store your dissertation/ research project while you are working on it:**

- LSE OneDrive

**Where will you store any primary data you collect during the research process:**

- LSE OneDrive