THE ROLE OF RESEARCH IN THE ANTI-RAPE MOVEMENT

From Calling It Rape to Social Impact Bonds
THE ANTI-RAPE MOVEMENT

Review and synthesis of 40+ years:

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POLICY COMPLEXITY

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- **Implementation support**: Funding, TA, Enforcement
ACTIVITY #1
1970’s...

Rape is Redefined: The Personal Is Political
RESEARCH - 1970’S

• Susan Brownmiller's (1975)
  • Against Our Will

• Ann Wolbert Burgess & Lynda Lytle Holmstrom’s (1974)
  • Rape Trauma Syndrome

• Dean Kilpatrick, Patricia A. Resick & Lois Veronen's (1979)
  • The Aftermath of Rape
1980’s...
One in Four Women
RESEARCH - 1980’S

- Martha Burt’s (1980)
  - *Rape Myth Acceptance*
- Peggy Reeves Sanday's (1981)
  - *The Socio-Cultural Context of Rape*
- Mary Koss & Robin Warshaw’s (1988)
  - *Hidden Rape*
PRACTICE & POLICY
1980'S
1990’S...

Rape is Violence Against Women: A Crime to Be Controlled
• Diana Russell’s (1990)
  
  • Rape in marriage.

• Alan Berkowitz’s (1994)
  
  • Men and rape.

  
  • Social reactions to sexual assault victims.
2000’S…
Ready for Prevention
RESEARCH - 2000’S

• David Lisak’s (2002)
  • Undetected rapists

  • Bystander education

  • Economic toll/Cost of sexual violence
PRACTICE & POLICY
2000’S
2010’S…

Ending Rape
RESEARCH- 2010’S

- Black et al’s (2011, 2013)
  - National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Survey Summary Report

- National Research Council’s (2014).
  - Estimating the incidence of rape and sexual assault

- DeGue et al's (2014)
  - A systematic review of primary prevention strategies for sexual violence perpetration
PRACTICE & POLICY
2010’S
BRINGS US TO THE EDGE: TODAY
SOCIAL IMPACT BONDS

AKA Pay-for-Success models combine FUNDED POLICY (i.e., budget line) with RCC PRACTICE and EVALUATION RESEARCH.
They do it via a new type of relationship that attracts NEW FUNDING in the form of private capital investment.
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Currently: traditional philanthropic sector is underwriting the “pilot projects”
SIB’s are innovative because they PARTNER government + private sector + nonprofit sector.
For example:

Rockefeller Foundation is subsidizing 6 start-up projects in: CO, CT, IL, NY, OH, SC

and providing technical assistance from Social Impact Bond Technical Assistance Lab at Harvard Kennedy School
A Framework for Thinking About Evidence

- Contextual Evidence
- Best Available Research Evidence
- Experiential Evidence

EVIDENCE BASED DECISION-MAKING

[Book cover: Understanding Evidence Part 1: Best Available Research Evidence]
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