Proposed Research collaboration with
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Presentation:
Urban services for family and sexual violence in
Lae city
• Proposed research on family and sexual violence (FSV) with a focus on the policy question: What could be done better to allow families to seek help when dealing with violence and keep their children in school?

• **Objective:**
  – Presentation aimed at generating feedback from colleague researchers in this forum towards this research.
1. FSV Urban Services

• Provider - Femili PNG (NGO based in Lae):

  Vision:

  To provide effective client services and foster strong partnerships to address family and sexual violence in Papua New Guinea.

  Mission:

  To work with clients, partners and communities to improve responses to family and sexual violence through case-management, partnership support, training, monitoring, research and advocacy.
• Four Priority Areas:

1. Case Management

2. Strengthening Partnerships and Expansion

3. Undertake operations through research for informed advocacy

4. Governance, staffing and sustainability

FSV urban services and governance are not determined by political boundaries, rather on client location within the city.
2. FSV Urban Services

- Arranging accommodation
- Providing food & basic necessities (where need is)
- Transport to accessing support services
- Legal remedies – follow up with police for arrest warrants & with courts for protection orders
- Assist women prepare police and court statements
- Relocation – with relatives or elsewhere
- Referrals to service providers – police, hospital, social services, etc.
3. Issues

- Issues relating to FSV services for Lae city clients include:
  - Accommodation for High-risk Cases (high profile people)
  - Financial support for accommodation outside of established safe houses
4. Challenges

- Any support service(s) given is done with agreement from clients, otherwise none is given to avoid further violence.

- 2 safe houses for Lae city (1 for chldrn/ mothers)

- Full or closed, or police engaged elsewhere when needed, etc.

- Handling of children in violent situations;
  - Rescued if confirmed they are at risk of being abused if not removed,
  - Children treated as adult clients,
    - Including those attending schools, inclusive of time limits at safe houses *(the focus of new research)*