

Key words

FEMINISM

**The advocacy of women's rights
on the basis of the equality of the
sexes.**



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WHY THIS TOPIC?



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VIOLENCE AGAINST
WOMEN AND GIRLS



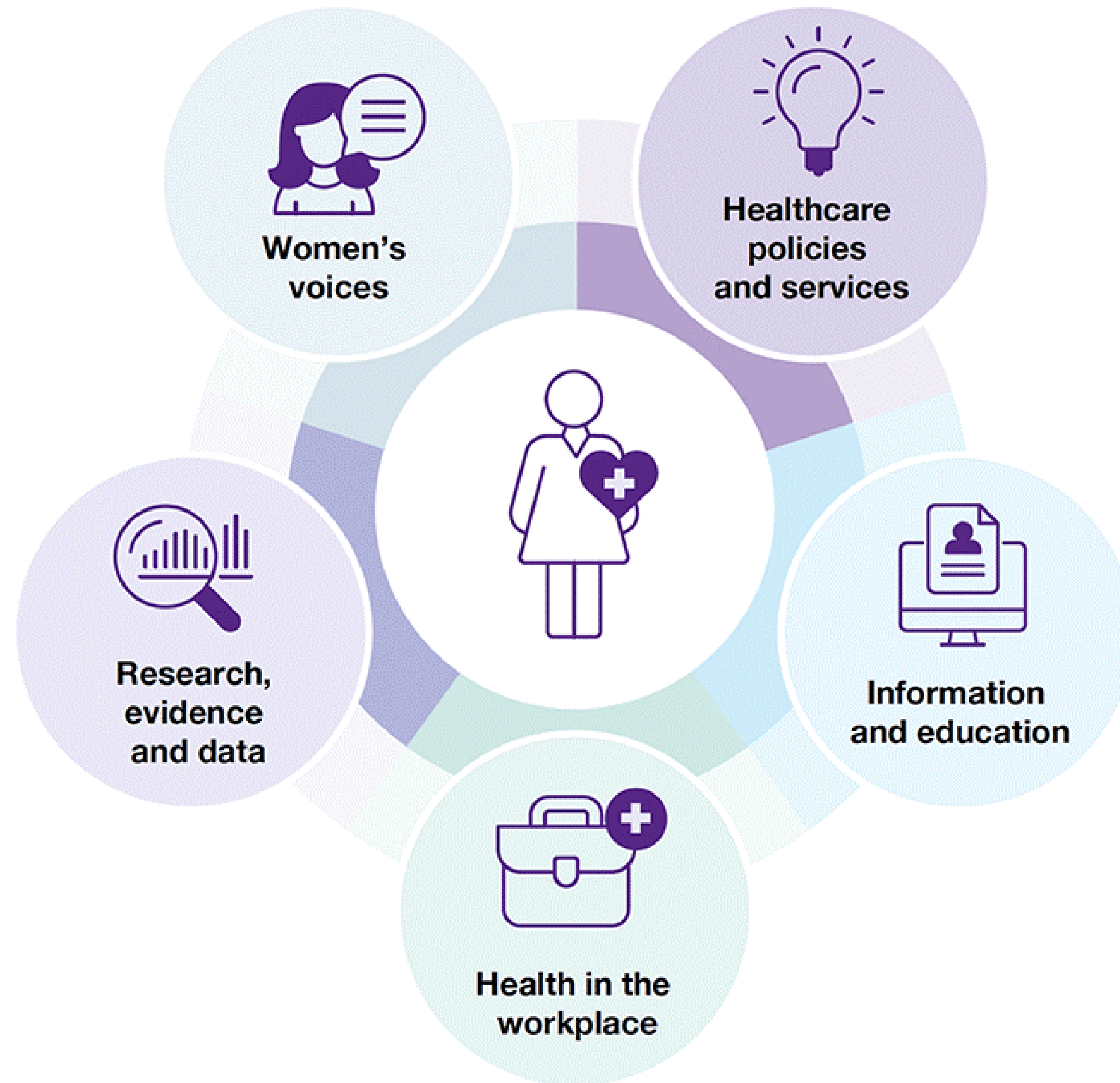
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YOUR NEXT SESSION
ON THIS TOPIC



REMINDER

Our assembly today is about a sensitive, but very important issue. It requires your maturity and sensitivity.



THE WHY

The UK government has labelled violence against women and girls as a national threat. It has committed to a range of actions to protect women and girls against harm in strategies focused on tackling violence against women and girls and domestic abuse.

In recent years we have seen the growth of online misogynist influencers, who promote violence against women and girls, and have had a real impact on boys and young men's attitudes and behaviour.



IN SCHOOLS

Sexual harassment and violence within UK schools is a very real problem. 'In September 2015, a BBC News report ... revealed there were 5,500 sexual offences recorded in UK schools between 2011 and 2014*'

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Steps To Be Done To Stop
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says



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Inquiry into sexual violence in schools

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An inquiry into the scale of sexual harassment and sexual violence in
England's schools is to be held by a Commons committee.

The Women and Equalities Committee will examine who is committing the
offences, who is being targeted, and whether the number of cases is rising.

Research for the committee suggests sexualised behaviour among pupils is a

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IN 2021 OFSTED FOUND THAT "SEXUAL HARASSMENT OCCURRED SO FREQUENTLY IN SCHOOLS THAT IT HAD BECOME 'COMMONPLACE'"

- sexist name-calling (92%)
- rumours about their sexual activity (81%)
- unwanted or inappropriate comments of a sexual nature (80%)
- being sent pictures or videos they did not want to see (88%)
- being put under pressure to provide sexual images of themselves (80%)
- having pictures or videos that they sent being shared more widely without their knowledge or consent (73%)
- being photographed or videoed without their knowledge or consent (59%)
- having pictures or videos of themselves that they did not know about being circulated (51%)
- sexual assault of any kind (79%)
- feeling pressured to do sexual things that they did not want to (68%)
- unwanted touching (64%)

**SCHOOLS ARE THE BEST
PLACE TO BUILD **RADICALLY**
DIFFERENT FUTURES AND
PREVENT VIOLENCE AGAINST
WOMEN AND GIRLS**



Schools: It's #AboutTime Things Changed!

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What do girls really learn at school? Learn Without Fear

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WE CAN CHOOSE 'NO'

If we stand back and let violence and abuse take place in and around schools, we help create an environment where this type of behaviour is accepted.



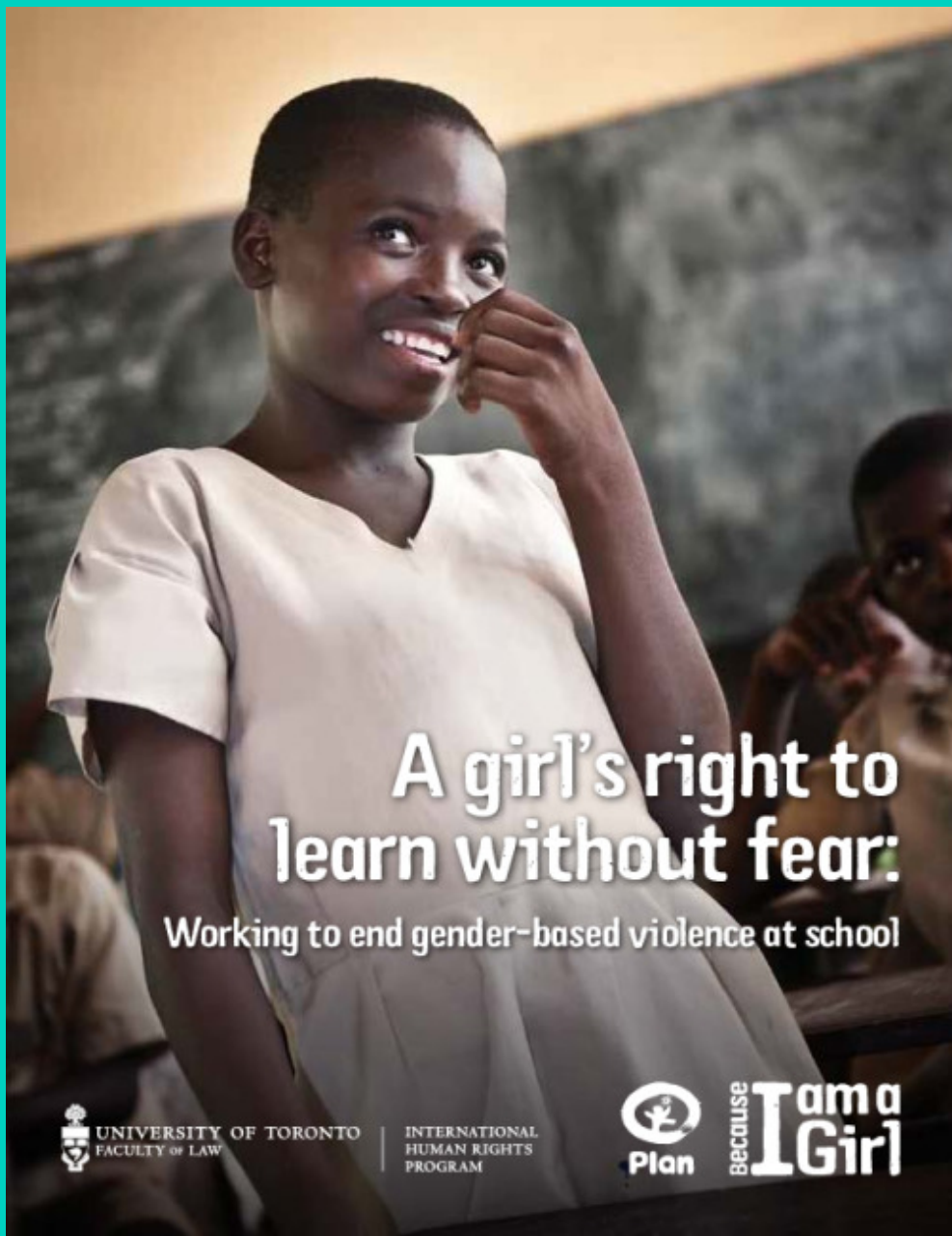
One of the best responses to gender-based violence is to not stand by and watch it happen, to help create an environment where this is unacceptable.

We can pledge to say 'NO' to violence.

Sexual harassment and abuse in UK schools predominately affects girls more than boys.

I want you to think 'What can you do to prevent gender-based violence?'





A girl's right to
learn without fear:
Working to end gender-based violence at school

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I am a girl

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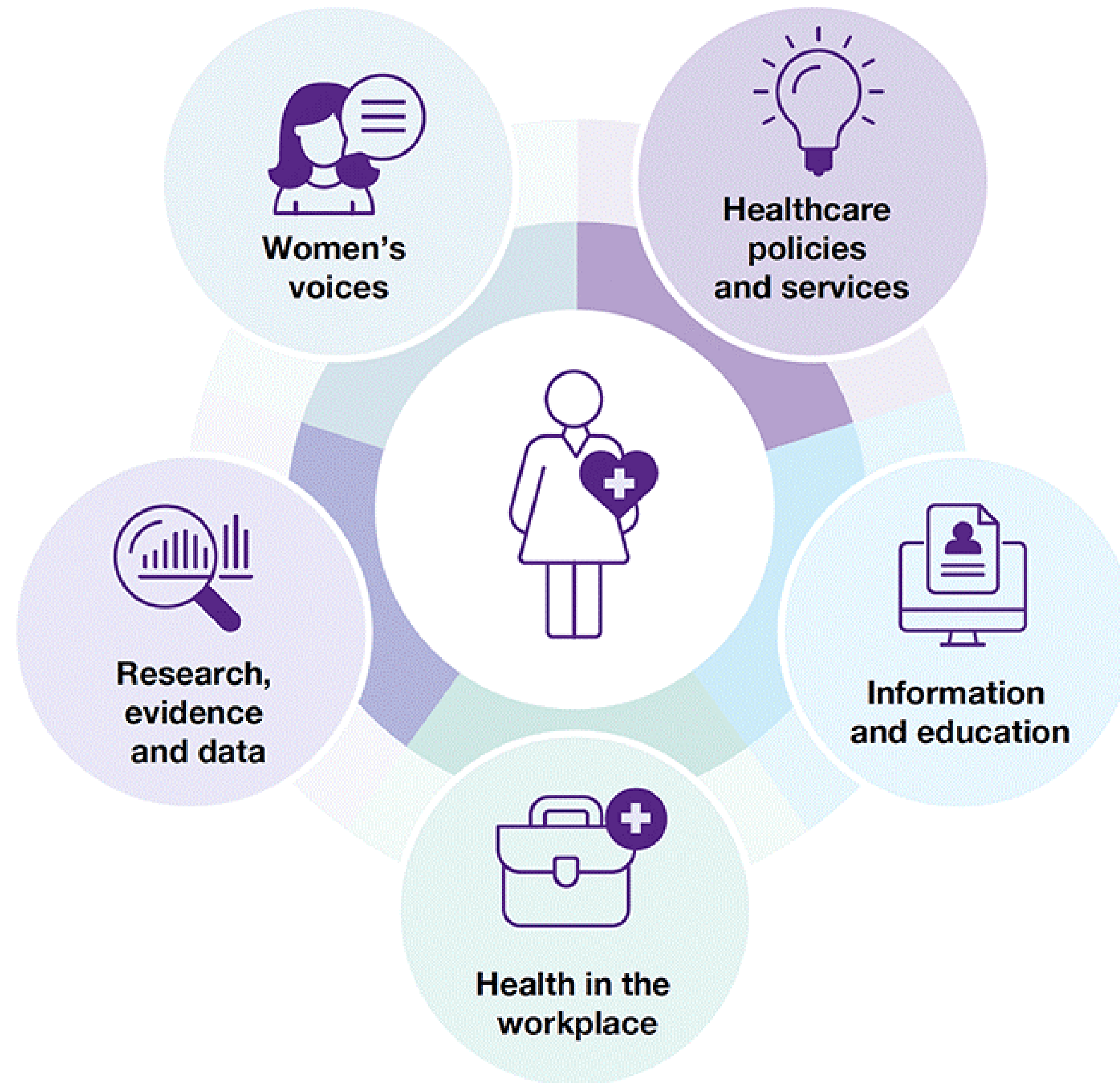
Every girl has the right to
#LearnWithoutFear



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A Girl's Right to Learn Without Fear:
Working to End Gender-Based Violence at School

Tanja Suvilaakso



REMINDER

The biggest challenge is to not allow a culture to develop where this can happen. Don't stand back. Challenge friends and classmates who are not doing the right thing. Speak to teachers – it could make the difference between someone being abused or not.

WHAT WE WILL DO

Throughout your time at RFSS we will cover a range of topics that look at Relationship Education, this is where we learn about equality, what healthy relationships look like, how we can manage friendships. As well as understanding more in depth about:

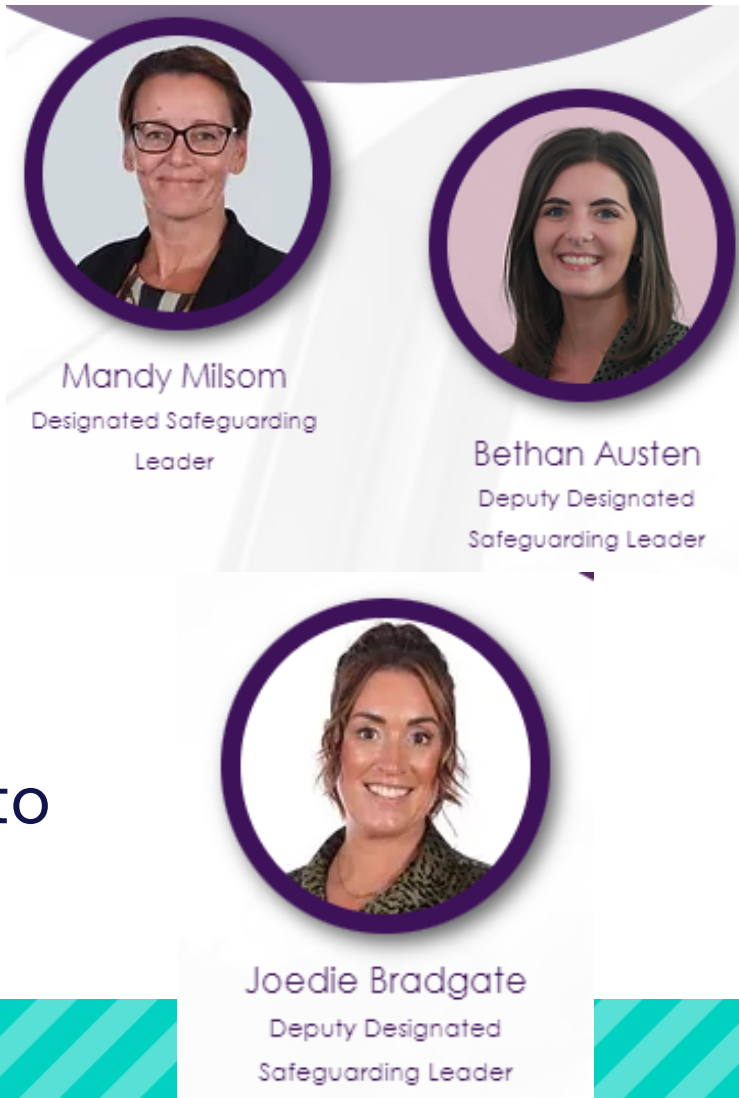
- Gender Based Violence in and out of Schools
- FGM
- Harassment and other forms of abuse
- Forced Marriages
- Honor based violence

WHERE TO GO?

If you see or experience anything that you don't think is acceptable or that makes you feel uncomfortable in school, or outside of school it is important to tell someone.

This could be:

- A parent/ carer
- Head of Year
- Your tutor
- A member of the safeguarding team in school
- NSPCC
- Childline
- A friend that will be able to support you to talk to an adult or talk on your behalf



REPORT

childline

ONLINE, ON THE PHONE, ANYTIME
childline.org.uk | 0800 1111

NSPCC 
HELPLINE
0808 800 5000
help@nspcc.org.uk

MY PLEDGE

Have a chat in tutors either today or tomorrow to discuss what you will do as an individual to help prevent this in schools and outside of school, now and in the future.