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Ending Female Genital Mutilation/Cutting within a Generation
February 6th marks the International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation. FGM/C is a severe violation of girls’ and women’s human rights, may cause immediate and lifelong trauma, and has no health benefits. More than 120 million girls and women have already undergone FGM/C, and up to 30 million girls under age 15 are currently at risk. More...

UK professionals face dismissal for failure to report child FGM
LONDON (Thomson Reuters Foundation) - Healthcare professionals and teachers in England and Wales who fail to report cases of female genital mutilation in children could be fired under a new law which campaigners said was vital to protect girls at risk. More...

Hundreds of Tanzanian girls run away from home to avoid FGM
TARIME, Tanzania (Thomson Reuters Foundation) - In a remote, deeply traditional corner of northern Tanzania, growing numbers of girls are running away from home to escape genital mutilation carried out during mass initiations. More...

Woman bailed over 'FGM conspiracy' following Heathrow arrest
A woman arrested at Heathrow Airport on suspicion of conspiracy to commit female genital mutilation (FGM) has been released on police bail. More...

Somaliland: There is no place for FGM
Dr. Edna Adan has been working to end FGM in Somaliland for decades. The first step in that process was overcoming the strong societal pressure to not discuss FGM.

The politics around FGM in Sierra Leone
One of the silver linings of the Ebola epidemic is its exposure of the dangers of some aspects of our so cherished culture. Evidence abound that the epidemic has gone this long mainly due to transmissions through some of these cultural practices. More...

Tanzania: FGM 'Medicalisation' Is Sheer Madness
It has come to light that some medical practitioners, especially the midwives and surgeons, are cashing in on Female Genital Mutilation (FGM), which is, indeed, fought left, right and centre by governments and human rights activists. More...

First lady condemns FGM and early marriages
First lady Margaret Kenyatta has condemned Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) and early marriages saying they compromise health and lives of women in the country. More...
The International Network to Analyze, Communicate and Transform the Campaign against FGM/C (INTACT), is an international group of researchers, scholars, and activists committed to bringing scientific evidence to bear on the campaign to end FGM/C. INTACT serves as a forum for FGM/C debate and helps bridge gaps in knowledge and information relevant to FGM/C on the local and the international levels. INTACT helps communicate lessons learned, disseminate research, and promotes the utilization of research findings to assist in the campaign against FGM/C. INTACT is managed by the Population Council.