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English News

Over 600 new victims of FGM identified in the West Midlands in seven months

More than 600 new victims of female genital mutilation have been identified in the West Midlands in seven months. A report from the West Midlands Police and Crime Panel said that "official statistics from acute hospitals in the seven districts show that between September 2014 and March 2015 there were 632 newly identified cases of women and girls in the West Midlands who have undergone FGM." [More...](#)

Iraqi Kurdistan: Successful Campaign against FGM

In 2011, Female Genital Mutilation (FGM) was banned in the Kurdistan Region, thanks to a media campaign led by anti-FGM organisations such as Wadj. According to Thomas von der Osten-Sacken, general manager of this NGO, "people now look at Kurdistan as an example" in this field. However, even though this practice is now outlawed, Wadj estimates that more than half of the mullahs still support it. [More...](#)

Britain to crack down on travel for FGM before school holidays

LONDON (Thomson Reuters Foundation) - The British government will fast-track legislation intended to target people who take girls abroad to undergo female genital mutilation (FGM) so it is in place before the school summer holidays, Prime Minister David Cameron said. [More...](#)

Egyptian activists fear female genital mutilation initiative will fall short

Egypt has announced an ambitious plan to reduce female genital mutilation by 10-15% over the next five years by mobilising doctors and judges against a practice that still affects more than 90% of women in the country. [More...](#)

Against FGM: The Gutsy and Determined Girls Standing Up for Their Rights

Pauline was just 10 years old when she had the cut. Otherwise known as female genital mutilation. It's common for people to feel uncomfortable and horrified when they hear about FGM. Especially when they hear further details like the fact that girls are cut one after another positioned on stones in the middle of nowhere facing to the east. [More...](#)

Kenya: Teachers Cry As FGM Clip Played

Teachers burst into tears yesterday during the Kenya Secondary School Heads Association conference when a video clip of female genital mutilation was shown. [More...](#)

Tanzania: War On FGM Unites Religious Leaders, Traditional Elders

Tarime — FOR the first time religious leaders and traditional elders of Kurya tribe have met to chart strategies aimed at winning the battle against Female Genital Mutilation (FGM). [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.

