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## FGM in the News

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### The Day I Became a Woman



### Nigeria: Bolanle Ambode Speaks Out Against FGM

Wife of the Governor of Lagos State, Mrs. Bolanle Ambode, has urged mothers, women groups and high-powered government organizations, to step up advocacy towards total eradication of female genital mutilation.

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### Benin: Cutters Turn Counsellors To Fight FGM

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## Kenya: Maasai & Samburu Becoming Women Without FGM

Nine years ago, the NGO Amref Health Africa started training peer trainers among all age groups in Maasai and Samburu communities - elders, young men, mothers, and young girls - on the consequences of FGM.

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## Tanzania: Online Mapping Tool Gives FGM Runaways a Path to Help

An online crowdmapping tool being used to chart unmarked villages in remote parts of Tanzania is helping young runaways escaping FGM find their way to safety.

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## Egypt: The Medicalization of FGM in Egypt

Egyptian doctors increasingly carry out the cut in secret in the early morning or late at night -- charging the parents large amounts for the procedure.

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## India: FGM a Thousand Year Old Secret

So little was known, until recently, about the practice of FGM in a small secretive Muslim community that India is not even on the UN's list of FGM countries.

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## France: Maison des Femmes in Paris Helps Victims of FGM

Fourteen percent of the women that give birth in the Delafontaine Hospital in Saint-Denis have been subject to female genital mutilation.

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## UK: FGM Identified in Medical Appointments Every Hour in UK'

New research has shown that a woman in England attends a medical appointment where female genital mutilation (FGM) is identified every hour on average.

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## Ireland: End FGM Website Launched to Warn of Dangers of Practice

Irish medical professionals must learn about the practice of female genital mutilation (FGM) in order to provide the requisite care for women and girls who have been affected.

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## UN: Harmful Traditional Practice of FGM Must End

Leading United Nations and humanitarian organizations have called for an end to female genital mutilation, a traditional practice that causes physical harm and extreme emotional trauma to tens of millions of girls and women around the world.

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