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- **Research:** *The Post-2015 Agenda:  
Gender Equality, Women's  
Empowerment & Gender-Based Violence*

**NC Model:** *NC Women United*

**U.N. CSW Reflections – April 2014**



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# Research Focus

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- GBV is “... the most pervasive human rights abuse in the world today, happening in **all countries**” (UN Women)
- Gender inequality:
  - Reduces women’s agency
  - Creates spaces where GBV is accepted
- Women’s Empowerment counters gender inequality
  - Political participation
- Current global approaches have been **insufficient**



# Key Outcomes

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- Gender-disaggregated data is absolutely *essential* in increasing the effectiveness of the feminist movement
- Discussions surrounding the Post-2015 Development Agenda must now focus on *strengthening* priority themes
- Men have a much needed and important role to play in ensuring true gender equality for all



# Next Steps

- Bringing “Cities for CEDAW” to North Carolina:
  - Chapel Hill, Carrboro, Durham
- Partnering with *Promundo* and *MenEngage* to share best practices for engaging men at UNC



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# Reflecting on CSW58

GENDER EQUALITY, WOMEN'S EMPOWERMENT AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

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