

### **Correction from The White Ribbon Foundation:**

There was an error on page 24 of the report *An Assault on our Future: the impact of violence on young people and their relationships*, where there was a transposition of the words 'guy' and 'girl' the sentence should have read:

*Males are more likely than females to agree with statements condoning violence such as 'most physical violence occurs because a partner provoked it' (32%, versus 24% for females) and 'when a **girl** hits a **guy** it's not really a big deal' (31%, versus 19% for females) (National Crime Prevention 2001).*

This was an accidental editing error on the part of the author. This error did change the meaning of the phrase. When read in context however, the correct quote still supports the main point made by the author in that section, that is that boys have worse attitudes to violence in relationships than do girls.

White Ribbon commissioned *Assault on our Future* as an independent report from Dr Michael Flood and Lara Fergus, both of whom are noted academics in the field of violence prevention. The report was peer reviewed by four academic experts. The White Ribbon Foundation was not involved in the writing of the report in any way other than in reviewing its recommendations once completed.

The White Ribbon Foundation then used the incorrect statistic in a quote as part of its media release about the report findings. We apologise for the reproduction of the error in our media release and in our comments to the media.

The report remains a timely and useful contribution to field of violence prevention and understanding the impact of violence on young people.