LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Speaking against gender inequality
Although SA has progressed regarding racial and gender transformation, problems remain, especially among those with little or no voice. Poverty, for example, is the greatest social determinant that affects women's inequality.

Other concerns include the intersecting health issues of risk for HIV, pregnancy, and gender-based violence that still loom large for adolescent girls and young women.

Global issues include access to sexual and reproductive health care, literacy and education programmes, delayed sexual debut or marriage, rape and gender-based violence. And there is the ongoing, pervasive issue of shame, stigma, and discrimination suffered by gender and sexual minorities.

Leading global gender experts, survivors, and participants from more than 30 countries will be gathering in Johannesburg tomorrow and on Tuesday for the “Ending Gender Inequalities: Evidence to Impact” conference. Come and be part of the dialogue and solutions.

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