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A Resource for Public Health Decision Makers

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New look of health-evidence.ca

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What's New...

Job Posting: Knowledge Broker, NCCMT, School of Nursing, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario

The National Collaborating Centre for Methods and Tools (NCCMT) is currently recruiting for a full-time Knowledge Broker. *Click here for more information.*

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New Features on www.health-evidence.ca

- **Refined searches** – tweak your search strategy using AND, OR, or NOT options on the results page
- **More search results** – expand your search by including related terms
- **Sortable results** – sort results by clicking on column headings
- **Saved searches** – save up to 50 searches to your registered user account

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Why health-evidence.ca?

- **Saves time**
- **Filtered, quality-rated, searchable**
- **Summarizes key findings and draws practical implications**

Search Strategy

- **Electronic search of 6 online databases: MEDLINE, EMBASE, CINAHL, PsycINFO, Sociological Abstracts and BIOSIS**
- **Handsearching of 20 main public health and health promotion journal titles in addition to 3-5 topic-specific titles in each field (e.g., mental health)**
- **Reference list searches of all relevant reviews**

Site Stats

- **> 1,300 reviews - 21 topics**
- **updated quarterly**
- **~55,000 visits per year**
- **~200 visits per day**
- **6 minutes on site**
- **7 pages per visit**

Who Uses health-evidence.ca?

- **Accessing the site**
 - 62% of users are from direct traffic
 - 20% of users link from a referring site
- **80% of users are Canadian**
- **20% American, Australia and UK**
- **Users from all provinces and territories**

Website Use: Jan 08-Nov 08

Visitors Summary		
	Visitors	31,605
	Average visits per visitor	1.85
	Visitors who visited more than once	40%

Transparent Process

- **Each article is subjected to:**
 - Relevance
 - Keywording
 - Quality assessment
 - Summary

Updated Search Page



Access your saved searches →

My Saved Searches

To search using AND, OR and NOT, simply input your search terms separated by the conditions.
E.G. Child OR Adolescent AND Health NOT adult
To search for an exact term place the term in quotes
E.G. "Child health" OR Adolescent

For articles containing...

"physical activity" AND children

Search

Filter results sets →

Article Rating...

Strong

Clear Search

Articles updated in the last...

14 Days

Results per page...

10

Only articles with summary statements



Focus of Review

- [Addiction/Substance Use](#)
- [Adolescent Health](#)
- [Adult Health](#)

Review Type

- [meta-analysis](#)
- [narrative](#)
- [systematic](#)


Population Characteristics

- [Age Groups](#)
- [Cultural Group](#)
- [Family](#)

Updated Results Page

Your Search:

Your Current Search:
"*physical activity AND children*" returned 3 results

Print results 

[Print Search](#) | [Back to Search](#)

Did you mean **physical fitness instead of physical activity?** – Include both terms

► **Options** - Click here to refine your search







Add This Search To "My Saved Searches"


? Having trouble with your search? Please click here to view some useful search hints.

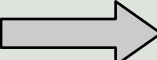
Current Results

To sort click a column heading

Sort results by
column headings 

Article	Authors	Date	Rating	
Effectiveness of physical activity enhancement and obesity prevention programs in children and youth (Report)	Thomas, H. et al.	2004	10 (strong)	
Physical activity interventions in the prevention and treatment of paediatric obesity: Systematic review and critical appraisal	Reilly, J.J. et al.	2003	9 (strong)	
Interventions for preventing obesity in children	Summerbell, C.D. et al.	2005	9 (strong)	

 denotes articles with summary statements.

Identifies reviews with
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