

Supplementary Material 2

Search strategy: Prevalence of childhood exposure to intimate partner violence in low-income and lower-middle-income countries: a systematic review and meta-analysis

1. Research questions

- 1) What is the lifetime prevalence of childhood exposure to IPV among children and adults in low-income and lower-middle-income countries?
- 2) What is the past-year prevalence of exposure to IPV among children in low-income and lower-middle-income countries?

2. Components of the search strategy as per protocol

- 1) Electronic databases: PubMed, Web of Science, WHO Global Index Medicus, CINAHL, ERIC, PsycINFO, Violence and Abuse Abstracts
- 2) Searches in specialized journals in particular Child Abuse and Neglect, Trauma, Violence & Abuse, Child Maltreatment.
- 3) Searches for relevant studies in the citations of other systematic reviews and meta-analyses.
- 4) Forward and backward citation chaining of included papers.

3. Global search strategy

prevalence OR epidemiol* OR cross-sectional OR survey

AND

child* OR adolescen* OR girls OR boys OR infant* OR baby OR babies OR toddler* OR preschool* OR pre-school* OR young person OR young people OR minor OR teen* OR youth*

AND

domestic violence OR parental violence OR intimate partner violence OR psychological abuse OR emotional abuse OR ((caregiver OR marital OR conjugal OR spous* OR husband OR wife OR women OR woman OR man OR men) AND (violence OR abuse OR victim* OR battered))

AND

witness* OR 'growing up' OR expos* OR poly-victimization OR poly-victimisation

4. Search strategy adapted for PubMed

PubMed Search using MeSH terms

("Intimate Partner Violence"[Mesh] OR (("Domestic Violence"[Mesh] OR "Battered Women"[Mesh]) OR "Spouse Abuse"[Mesh])) AND (("Child"[Mesh] AND "Child, Preschool"[Mesh]) OR "Adolescent"[Mesh])) AND "Prevalence"[Mesh]

PubMed Search using Keywords

(prevalence) AND ((((((child* OR adolescen* OR girl* OR boy* OR infant* OR baby OR babies OR toddler* OR preschool* OR pre-school* OR young person* OR young people OR minor* OR teen* OR adolescen* OR youth*))) AND (((domestic OR parental OR caregiver OR intimate partner OR marital OR conjugal OR spous* OR husband OR wife)) AND (violence OR abus* OR victim*))) AND ((witness* OR expos* OR growing up OR poly-victimisation OR poly-victimization)))

Combined PubMed Search using Keywords and MeSH terms

(((((("Intimate Partner Violence"[Mesh] OR ((("Domestic Violence"[Mesh] OR "Battered Women"[Mesh]) OR "Spouse Abuse"[Mesh]))) AND (("Child"[Mesh] AND "Child, Preschool"[Mesh]) OR "Adolescent"[Mesh])) AND "Prevalence"[Mesh])) OR ((prevalence) AND ((((((child* OR adolescen* OR girl* OR boy* OR infant* OR baby OR babies OR toddler* OR preschool* OR pre-school* OR young person* OR young people OR minor* OR teen*))) AND (((domestic OR parental OR caregiver OR intimate partner OR marital OR conjugal OR spous* OR husband OR wife)) AND (violence OR abus* OR victim*))) AND ((witness* OR exposure OR growing up OR poly-victimisation OR poly-victimization))))))

5. Search strategy adapted for Web of Science

Settings:

- Advanced search
- Web of Science Core Collection
- Timespan All years (1945-2019)

Note: Core Collection employs no **controlled vocabulary** or thesaurus in assigning subject terms. Natural language indexing (where every word in the title is searchable) is used.

Search strategy:

ALL FIELDS: (prevalence OR epidemiol* OR cross-sectional OR survey)

AND ALL FIELDS: (child* OR adolescen* OR girls OR boys OR infant* OR baby OR babies OR toddler* OR preschool* OR pre-school* OR young person OR young people OR minor OR teen* OR adolescen* OR youth*)

AND ALL FIELDS: (domestic violence OR parental violence OR intimate partner violence OR psychological abuse OR emotional abuse OR (caregiver OR marital OR conjugal OR spous* OR husband OR wife OR women OR woman OR man OR men) AND (violence OR abuse OR victim* OR battered))

AND ALL FIELDS: (witness* OR 'growing up' OR expos* OR poly-victimization OR poly-victimisation)

6. PsycINFO

Any Field: prevalence OR Any Field: epidemiol* OR Any Field: cross-sectional OR Any Field: survey AND Any Field: child* OR Any Field: adolescen* OR Any Field: girls OR Any Field: boys OR Any Field: infant* OR Any Field: baby OR Any Field: babies OR Any Field: toddler* OR Any Field: preschool* OR Any Field: pre-school* OR Any Field: young person OR Any Field: young people OR Any Field: minor OR Any Field: teen* OR Any Field: youth* AND Any Field: domestic violence OR Any Field: parental violence OR Any Field: intimate partner violence OR Any Field: psychological abuse OR Any Field: emotional abuse OR (Any Field: caregiver OR Any Field: marital OR Any Field: conjugal OR Any Field: spous* OR Any Field: husband OR Any Field: wife OR Any Field: women OR Any Field: woman OR Any Field: man OR Any Field: men) AND (Any Field: violence OR Any Field: abuse OR Any Field: victim* OR Any Field: battered)) AND Any Field: witness* OR Any Field: 'growing up' OR Any Field: exposure OR Any Field: expose* OR Any Field: poly-victimization OR Any Field: poly-victimisation

7. Global Index Medicus

(tw:(prevalence OR epidemiol* OR cross-sectional OR survey)) AND (tw:(child* OR adolescen* OR girls OR boys OR infant* OR baby OR babies OR toddler* OR preschool* OR pre-school* OR young person OR young people OR minor OR teen* OR youth*)) AND (tw:(domestic violence OR parental violence OR intimate partner violence OR psychological abuse OR emotional abuse OR ((caregiver OR marital OR conjugal OR spous* OR husband OR wife OR women OR woman OR man OR men) AND (violence OR abuse OR victim* OR battered)))) AND (tw:(witness* OR 'growing up' OR exposure OR expose* OR poly-victimization OR poly-victimisation)) AND (instance:"ghl")