



Canadian spotlight 9.1: Key additions from the first half of September 2021

In the first half of September, contributing Canadian evidence-synthesis teams have shared with us 11 newly completed evidence syntheses which are listed in the table below. The syntheses focus on public-health measures (n=7) and clinical management (n=4).

Taxonomy section	Title	Type of product	Date of last search (and publication)	Evidence synthesis team
• Public-health measures	COVID-19 living evidence profile #3 (version 3): What is known about how schools and post-secondary institutions adjust COVID-19 transmission-mitigation measures as infection rates change and vaccination rates increase?	Update to a living evidence profile	2021-09-02 (published 2021-09-07)	McMaster Health Forum COVID-END Secretariat
• Public-health measures	How can behavioural-science thinking help to support messaging to and broader supports for citizens, particularly those drawn from equity-seeking groups, to encourage them to be vaccinated	Update to a living evidence synthesis	2021-08-31 (published 2021-09-01)	Ottawa Hospital Research Institute
• Public-health measures	How effective are COVID-19 vaccines?	Update to a rapid review	2021-08-18 (published 2021-08-25)	Saskatchewan Health Authority and University of Saskatchewan
• Public-health measures	What is the epidemiology of variants and what are the implications for healthcare?	Update to a rapid review	2021-08-12 (published 2021-08-27)	Saskatchewan Health Authority and University of Saskatchewan
• Public-health measures	Evergreen rapid review on COVID-19 vaccine attitudes and uptake in Canada – Update 9 (For those interested in accessing the full copy of the rapid review, please contact phac.ocsoevidence-bcsdonneesprobantes.aspc@canada.ca)	Update to a rapid review	2021-08-04 (published 2021-08-13)	Emerging Science Group, Public Health Agency of Canada (PHAC)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public-health measures 	COVID-19 infection prevention and control measures for in-person learning in schools in select jurisdictions	Environmental scan	2021-07-14 (published 2021-07-15)	Public Health Ontario
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public-health measures 	Medical exemptions for COVID-19 vaccine: Jurisdictional scan	Rapid review	Not stated (published 2021-09-07)	Alberta Health Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical management 	What is the efficacy and effectiveness of available COVID-19 vaccines for variants of concern?	Update to a living evidence synthesis	2021-09-09 (published 2021-09-09)	Health Information Research Unit, McMaster University
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical management 	COVID-19: Severity of the Delta (B.1.617.2) variant in children	Evidence synthesis	2021-08-13 (published 2021-08-17)	Public Health Ontario
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical management 	<p>Evidence brief of SARS-CoV-2 incubation periods (For those interested in accessing the full copy of the rapid review, please contact phac.ocsoevidence-bcscdonneesprobantes.aspc@canada.ca)</p>	Evidence synthesis	2021-07-17 (published 2021-07-17)	Emerging Science Group, PHAC
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clinical management 	COVID-19 – Strategies adaptable from healthcare to public health settings to support the mental health and resilience of the workforce during the COVID-19 pandemic recovery	Evidence synthesis	2021-06-09 (published 2021-08-31)	Public Health Ontario