

Canadian spotlight 11.2: Key additions from the second half of November 2021

In the second half of November, contributing Canadian evidence-synthesis teams have shared with us eight newly completed evidence syntheses which are listed in the table below. From the COVID-END taxonomy, the syntheses focus on public-health measures (n=6), clinical management (n=1), and health-system arrangements (n=1).

Taxonomy section	Title	Type of product	Date of last search (and publication)	Evidence synthesis team
Public-health measures	How does the level of vaccine protection, including effectiveness against asymptomatic and symptomatic infection, and severe outcomes change over time in individuals who have received a complete primary COVID-19 vaccine series?	Update to a rapid review	2021-11-26 (published 2021-11-30)	Montreal Behavioural Medicine Centre, Concordia University
Public-health measures	COVID-19 variant of concern Omicron (B.1.1.529): Risk assessment	Evidence report	2021-11-26 (published 2021-11-29)	Public Health Ontario (PHO)
Public-health measures	What are the risks associated with repeated exposure to ethylene oxide from ongoing use of the Abbott PanbioAG COVID-19 nasal swabs?	Evidence review	2021-11-24 (published 2021-11-26)	Alberta Health Services
Public-health measures	What is the efficacy and effectiveness of available COVID-19 vaccines for variants of concern?	Update to a living evidence synthesis	2021-11-17 (published 2021-11-18)	Health Information Research Unit, McMaster University
Public-health measures	How effective are COVID-19 vaccines?	Update to a living rapid review	2021-11-11 (published 2021-11-26)	Alberta Health Services
Public-health measures	What is the epidemiology of variants and what are the implications for healthcare?	Update to a living rapid review	2021-11-04 (published 2021-11-23)	Alberta Health Services
Clinical management	Rapid review: What is known about health care worker intent to leave	Rapid review	2021-10-27 (published 2021-11-26)	National Collaborating Centre for

	their occupation in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic?			Methods and Tools (NCCMT)
Health-system	What are acceptable, effective	Response based	2021-11-25	McMaster
arrangements	approaches to organizing and	on existing	(published	Health
	delivering mental health and	resources	2021-11-30)	Forum
	addictions services to adults virtually			COVID-
	by registered health professionals?			END
				Secretariat