Appendix A – Search Strategy

Search dates: 12/10/20 and 07/01/21

PubMed

Search Title/Abstract:

(coronavirus[mh] OR Coronavirus Infections[mh] OR coronavirus*[tw] OR "COVID-19"[tw] or "2019-nCoV"[tw] or "SARS-CoV-2"[tw]) AND (Schools[mh:noexp] OR schools, nursery[mh] OR "Child Day Care Centers"[mh] OR "Nurseries, Infant"[mh] OR school*[tiab] OR preschool*[tiab] OR "pre-school*"[tiab] OR nurser*[tiab] OR kindergarten*[tiab] OR "day care"[tiab] OR daycare[tiab] OR "education setting*"[tiab] OR "educational setting*"[tiab] OR NPI*[tiab] OR "non-pharmaceutical intervention*"[tiab])

Web of Science

TS=(coronavirus* OR "COVID-19" OR "2019-nCoV" OR "SARS-CoV-2")

AND

TS=(school* OR nurser* OR preschool* OR "pre-school*" OR kindergarten* OR "day care" OR daycare OR "education setting*" OR "educational setting*" OR NPI* OR "non-pharmaceutical intervention*")

Scopus

TITLE-ABS-KEY ((coronavirus* OR "COVID-19" OR "2019-nCoV" OR "SARS-CoV-2") AND (school* OR nurser* OR preschool* OR "pre-school*" OR kindergarten* OR "day care" OR "daycare" OR "education setting*" OR "educational setting*" OR NPI* OR "non-pharmaceutical intervention*") AND (LIMIT-TO (PUBYEAR, 2020))

CINAHL (via HDAS)

((coronavirus* OR "COVID-19" OR "2019-nCoV" OR "SARS-CoV-2") AND (school* OR nurser* OR preschool* OR "pre-school*" OR kindergarten* OR "day care" OR "daycare" OR "education setting*" OR "educational setting*" OR NPI* OR "non-pharmaceutical intervention*")).ti,ab [DT 2020-2020]

WHO Global COVID-19 Research Database

(tw:(school*)) OR (tw:(nurser*)) OR (tw:("pre-school*")) OR (tw:(preschool*) OR (tw:(kindergarten*)) OR tw:("day care") OR tw:("daycare") OR tw:("education setting*") OR tw:("non-pharmaceutical intervention*"))

Including: WHO COVID Database, MedRxiv. Title, abstract, subject. 2020.

ERIC

Coronavirus OR "COVID-19" or "2019-nCoV" or "SARS-CoV-2"

British Education Index

Coronavirus OR "COVID-19" or "2019-nCoV" or "SARS-CoV-2"

Australian Education Index

Coronavirus OR "COVID-19" or "2019-nCoV" or "SARS-CoV-2"

Grey Literature Search, Google

First 100 hits on google search, limiting to PDF files, up to 'last year'.

Search: "COVID-19" OR "coronavirus" OR "school" OR "education"