

Supplementary file 5**Environmental scan data collection methods, data sources, and scanning mode characteristics of studies from grey literature***

Authors/ Year	Data Collection Methods	Data Sources	Data Source Mode	Scanning Mode
			Literature review (academic and grey literature)	
Archer et al. 2010 (123)	X		Survey	
Association of Maternal and Child Health Programs (AMCHP) 2011 (124)			Key informant / semi- structured interviews	
			Focus group	
			Other person contact (e.g. advisory groups, individuals, networks)	
			Other (e.g. database, site visits, social media)	
	X		Person sources	
		X	Administrative databases	
		X	Other grey literature (e.g. reports, guidelines, policies, tools, materials)	
		X	Academic databases (peer- reviewed literature)	
		X	Internet/web (e.g. search for tools reports, policies/guideline, materials)	
		X	Other (e.g. media, social media)	
		X	Internal person sources	
		X	Internal non-person sources	
		X	External person sources	
	X	X	External non-person sources	
Bandali 2014 (125)	X	X	Conditioned viewing - Passive data collection	
Bella et al. 2005 (126)	X	X	Searching - Active data collection	

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				1	2	3	4	5
Blackman 2018 (127)	X							
Boonyasai et al. 2014 (128)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Campos & Manning 2006 (129)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Cowling & Dolcine 2017 (130)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Deshpande, Khoja, Lorca, et al. 2008a (131)	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
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				Surveys
Deshpande, Khola, McKibbin et al. 2008b (132)	X	Literature review (academic and grey literature)		
Dietitians of Canada 2018 (133)	X	Survey		
Forsberg et al. 2014 (134)		Key informant / semi- structured interviews		
Garland 2015 (135)	X	Focus group		
Great Plains Quality Innovation Network 2016 (136)		Other person contact (e.g. advisory groups, individuals, networks)		
		Other (e.g. database, site visits, social media)		
	X	Person sources		
		Administrative databases		
		Other grey literature (e.g. reports, guidelines, policies, tools, materials)		
	X	Academic databases (peer-reviewed literature)		
	X	Internet/web (e.g. search for tools reports, policies/guideline, materials)		
		Other (e.g. media, social media)		
		Internal person sources		
		Internal non-person sources		
	X	External person sources		
	X	External non-person sources		
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				Surveys
Health Tech Solutions 2018 (137)	X	X		Key informant / semi- structured interviews
Hochman 2019 (138)	X			Focus group
Loorand-Stiver 2012a (139)	X	X	X	Other person contact (e.g. advisory groups, individuals, networks)
Loorand-Stiver 2012b (140)	X	X		Other (e.g. database, site visits, social media)
Mason & Ford 2017 (141)	X	X	X	Person sources
McGrath et al. 2017 (142)	X	X		Administrative databases
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			X	Academic databases (peer-reviewed literature)
			X	Internet/web (e.g. search for tools reports, policies/guideline, materials)
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Medstar et al. 2017 (153)	X	Literature review (academic and grey literature)		
Moran et al. 2017 (143)	X	Survey		
Morrison 2009 (144)	X	Key informant / semi- structured interviews		
Morrison & Dowler 2011 (145)	X	Focus group		
Murzin & Furlotte 2013 (146)	X	Other person contact (e.g. advisory groups, individuals, networks)		
Ndegwa, 2010 (147)	X	Other (e.g. database, site visits, social media)		
Ndegwa 2011 (148)	X	Person sources		
	X	Administrative databases		
	X	Other grey literature (e.g. reports, guidelines, policies, tools, materials)		
	X	Academic databases (peer-reviewed literature)		
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Ndegwa et al. 2018 (149)	X	Literature review (academic and grey literature)		
Paccagnan et al. 2017 (150)	X	Survey		
Seal et al 2018 (151)	X	Key informant / semi- structured interviews		
Smith 2001 (152)	X	Focus group		
Topfer & Spry 2019 (154)	X	Other person contact (e.g. advisory groups, individuals, networks)		
Tran et al. 2008 (155)	X	Other (e.g. database, site visits, social media)		
Wells et al. 2019 (156)	X	Person sources		
	X	Administrative databases		
	X	Other grey literature (e.g. reports, guidelines, policies, tools, materials)		
	X	Academic databases (peer-reviewed literature)		
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Young et al. 2018 (157)	X	Literature review (academic and grey literature)		
		Survey		
	X	Key informant / semi- structured interviews		
		Focus group		
		Other person contact (e.g. advisory groups, individuals, networks)		
		Other (e.g. database, site visits, social media)		
	X	Person sources		
		Administrative databases		
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		Conditioned viewing - Passive data collection		
	X	Searching - Active data collection		

* The data collection methods, data sources, data source mode, and scanning mode refer only to the environmental scanning component of the study. **NSI = not clear or not specifically reported