

Keywords and Key References for the Rapid Review on “Does the use of face marks in the general population make a difference to spread of infection?”

Sub-review 1: What is the effectiveness of face masks in preventing respiratory transmission in the community?

Keywords

Masks, Respiratory Protective Devices, Personal Protective Equipment, Primary Prevention.

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Keywords

COVID-19; coronavirus; SARS-CoV-2; transmission; face masks; community

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Sub-review 4: What is the mode of transmission of SARS-CoV-2 and other common respiratory pathogens?

Inclusion criteria

- Reviews and commentaries that reported evidence-based findings of the mode of transmission of coronaviruses (including SARS-CoV-1, SARS-CoV-2, MERS-CoV and seasonal CoVs) and other respiratory pathogens among general human population; OR
- Any published original studies that reported findings of the mode of transmission of coronaviruses

Exclusion criteria

- Animal-based models

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