

Health Profile on Immigrant and Refugee Children and Youth in Canada

Appendix to module page 4.1.1: Methodology for systematic review of cultural discordance experienced by immigrant and refugee children and adolescents

Methodology:

The methodology for this systematic review was based on the six-stage framework outlined by the Cochrane Handbook for Systematic Reviews of Interventions. In addition immigrant parents from Latin American, Nepalese, Somali ethnic communities in Canada were consulted through Café Scientifique meetings to ensure relevancy of selected outcomes. A sensitive search of electronic bibliographic databases was performed to retrieve all articles combining the concepts of cultural discordance, immigrant and refugee children and adolescents, and safety and security. The search strategy was devised on Ovid Medline and then adapted for other databases. The final total of results was 2,274. Two reviewers independently screened titles and abstracts of all 2,274 studies, applying inclusion and exclusion criteria and identifying relevant articles. Of the initial 2,274 studies, 179 met criteria for full appraisal. After repeated appraisals, 18 studies met full inclusion criteria.