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HUMAN DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH REVIEW: AIMS AND SCOPE

HELP’s Human Development Research Review (HELP Reads) aims to expand awareness of topics in human development, particularly social epigenetics, social determinants of health, socio-emotional learning, Indigenous children and youth, and family policy. HELP Reads connects health academics, advocates, and professionals with online and publicly available research, news, and information. This review focuses on listing articles relevant to human development research activities at HELP. The review accepts and welcomes contributions provided they meet HELP Reads standards. This review is not official or peer reviewed. It does not cover all research, news, and information, and HELP is not responsible for the accuracy of the content from media or databases. Not all links are open access; some are abstract links where paid journal subscription is required. HELP Reads is posted monthly here.
Thank you... to the Aboriginal Steering Committee (ASC)

We are grateful to all members of the ASC for their ongoing guidance, community-based experience and knowledge. They so graciously offer their time and we are fortunate for all their contributions and hard work. Wishing all of you and your families the very best.

Please see the resources below to highlight National Indigenous History Month and June 21, National Indigenous Peoples Day.

British Columbia Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation

“This action plan outlines significant actions the Province will undertake in consultation and cooperation with Indigenous Peoples over the next five years... The goals and outcomes of this action plan focus on addressing the inequities experienced by Indigenous Peoples by achieving the highest attainable standard for health and well-being.”

Quality and educator dispositions for Indigenous families in the urban early learning and child care context: a scoping review.
Chelsea Freeborn, Alvina Mardhani-Bayne, and Cheyanne Soetaert

“Findings point to several areas for further consideration that can improve the overall experiences of Indigenous children and families accessing quality early learning and child care in a Canadian urban setting.”

Promoting cultural connectedness through Indigenous-led child and family services: a critical review with a focus on Canada.
Jessica Ball and Annika Benoit-Jansson

“There is consensus that quality services to Indigenous children and families involve the transmission, preservation, and promotion of First Nations, Métis, and Inuit cultural connections and must be delivered within specific First Nations, Métis, and Inuit cultural frameworks led by Indigenous people.”

Indigenous food tour of British Columbia map.

The food businesses mapped here have been identified from various online sources of Indigenous-owned businesses. Supporting Indigenous businesses is an act of decolonization. Under the Indian Act, Indigenous people were prohibited from selling their farmed, hunted, or foraged products to any non-Indigenous person or off reserve, unless they obtained a permit from the Indian agent. The permit system prevented Indigenous people from competing with settlers in the free market and contributed to vast disparities in wealth and opportunity... Support Indigenous entrepreneurs and their communities.
EDITOR PICKS

Mental distress and virtual mental health resource use amid the COVID-19 pandemic: Findings from a cross-sectional study in Canada.
Anne Gadermann, Associate Professor, Human Early Learning Partnership, and co-authors
“This study identified a high burden of mental distress among adults in Canada during the COVID-19 pandemic alongside an apparent mismatch between actual and perceived need for support, including through virtual mental health resources.”

The impact of Philosophy for Children (P4C) on middle school students’ empathy, perspective-taking, and autonomy: preliminary outcomes.
Jenna Whitehead, YDI Implementation Coordinator, Simon Fraser Univ, and co-authors
“Philosophy for Children (P4C) hopes to cultivate democratic dialogue as well as critical, creative, and caring thinking; the latter of which has been associated with students’ social and emotional competencies (SECs) like empathy and perspective-taking.”

How Revelstoke used 20 years of data to strengthen connection.
Human Early Learning Partnership, Data & Connection Series
“For the past 20 years, Revelstoke has used Monitoring System data collected across all five tools to inform their community-based work of strengthening child development and well-being in the region.”

Innovative programming in Kootenay-Columbia.
Human Early Learning Partnership, Data & Connection Series
“The Kootenay-Columbia region was one of six areas across BC that participated in the Toddler Development Instrument (TDI) data collection pilot between September 2019 and September 2020.”

Building connections for Valley Families: A social innovation Initiative to improve the systems that support childhood well-being in the Comox Valley.
Comox Valley Early Years Collaborative
“Findings point the need for a comprehensive, integrative, and socially responsive early years system that has top-down political vision, leadership, and accountability...” ...more
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HELP RESOURCES


BIOLOGY/NEUROBIOLOGY ("early experiences")


CHILDCARE, ECD SERVICES


**CHILD DEVELOPMENT (GENERAL)**


**ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH**


INDIGENOUS


MIDDLE YEARS


POLICY, PRACTICE, INTERVENTIONS


SCREENING (tools, methods, school readiness, etc)


SOCIAL DETERMINANTS


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General


The Human Early Learning Partnership is situated within the traditional, ancestral and unceded territory of the xʷməθkʷəy̓əm (Musqueam) People.

For more information visit www.earlylearning.ubc.ca/library/citations

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