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HUMAN DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH REVIEW



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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, including social and emotional learning, social and environmental determinants of health, child care, and more. *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. 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 <u>here</u>.

EDITOR PICKS

Reconceptualizing cannabis use risks in the context of health and social inequities: insights from a qualitative study with young people in Canada.

Trevor Goodyear, Assistant Professor, UBC School of Nursing, and co-authors

"This study underscores opportunities for a reconsideration or reconceptualization of risks in the context of youth cannabis use ... "

Transforming substance use harm prevention in Canadian schools: an examination of school administrators' experiences and perspectives

Emily Jenkins, Associate Professor, UBC School of Nursing, and co-authors

This report presents findings from a survey of 204 Canadian kindergarten to 12th grade (K-12) school administrators [...]. The survey aimed to characterize current practices..."

Illicit drug toxicity from opioid, stimulant or sedative use in adolescents: results of a Canadian one-time cross-sectional study.

Matthew Carwana, and co-authors

"Objectives: (1) To determine the proportion of paediatricians in Canada who care for young people between 12 and 18 years who have managed cases of illicit drug; (2) to..."

Parents' perceptions of children's emotions, parenting experiences and relationships among food secure and food insecure families in Atlantic Canada during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Magdalena Janus, Professor, and co-authors

"Parents' experiences and family relationships were negatively impacted by COVID-19 for families, with food insecure families affected more than food secure families...."

Child Health Research Day (Wed May 21, 2025) - Keynote: Dr. Kimberly A Schonert-Reichl.

"This day is geared towards those with an interest in the medical and scientific foundations of child health, providing a platform for discussing innovative approaches to treatment and care within a clinical environment."

Prevalence trends and patterns of perinatal ADHD stimulant medication use in British Columbia, Canada.

Anne Gadermann, Associate Professor, and co-authors

"The 11-fold increase in ADHD stimulant medication use during pregnancy and the high rate of discontinuation highlight the need for more research on the risks and benefits ... "















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EDITOR PICKS

Digital parenting burdens and family wellbeing.

Lim SS, Wang Y.

"....urban Chinese families' enthusiasm for technology, especially those which shore up children's educational performance, is avid. Across the suite of digital technologies that have been embraced, from devices such as smartphones and intelligent lamps to edtech platforms and parent chat groups, parenting practices have incorporated and adapted to them."

Digital parenting: why the Chinese experience matters. Lim SS, Wang Y.

"The critical role technology plays in parenting in Chinese households is best illuminated (literally) by a popular study lamp known as the Dali deng (powerful lamp). Developed by ByteDance, the parent company running popular social media platforms such as TikTok and its Chinese counterpart Douyin, this lamp was introduced as a reliable and capable study companion for children. Its cameras cameras enable parents to keep a vigilant..."

We're still here. Report of the Inquiry into detentions under the Adult Guardianship Act.

British Columbia Office of the Human Rights Commissioner

"The final report of the B.C. Human Rights Commissioner's Inquiry into detentions under the Adult Guardianship Act (AGA) reveals serious human rights issues."

Indigenous Nations and languages in Canada.

Human Early Learning Partnership

"HELP is building a comprehensive list of First Nations, Inuit Nunangat communities and Métis Nation Homeland (including Métis Settlements and historic Métis communities) and all their spoken languages."

Data in Action: The importance of listening, relationships, and process in community-research relationships.

Adrienne Toye, Lead, Strategic Communications, Human Early Learning Partnership

"The results of the needs assessment highlighted the urgent need for investment to address early health inequalities in the community."



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