

Appendix

Manuscript Title: Policies Supporting Informal Caregivers Across Canada: A Scoping

Review Protocol

Manuscript Type: Scoping Review Protocol

Table 1: Search Strategy and Terms

Search Question	Policies supporting informal caregivers across Canada						
Key Concepts	Canada, Federal/Province/Territory, Policies, Informal Caregivers						
Search Strategy for Medline [will be adapted for other databases]	Canada. ti,ab,kw. AND (federal OR government OR national OR central OR provinc* OR territor* OR region* OR local OR municipal*).ti,ab,kw. AND (policy OR policies OR strateg* OR mechanism* OR instrument* OR "policy objective*" OR "policy action*" OR "policy area*" OR "policy instrument*" OR "policy issue*" OR "policy domain*"). ti,ab,kw. AND ("informal care*" OR carer* OR volunteer* OR family* OR families OR relative* OR friend* OR caregiver* OR "care giver*" OR voluntar* OR unpaid OR spouse OR child* OR partner OR neighbour).ti,ab,kw.						
Limit to:	English language and full text and "review articles" and humans and yr="1990 -Current"						
Initial Search Results in Medline Ovid (search conducted on 12 August 2017)	1508						
Search Terms							
	Concept 1	AND	Concept 2	AND	Concept 3	AND	Concept 4
OR	Canada		Federal		Policy		"Informal Care*"
			Government		Policies		Carer*
OR			National		Strateg*		Volunteer*
OR			Central		Mechanism*		Relative*
OR			Provinc*		Instrument*		Family
OR			Territor*		"Policy objective*"		Families
OR			Region*		"Policy action*"		Relative*
OR			Local		"Policy area*"		Friend*
OR			Municipal*		"Policy instrument*"		Caregiver*
OR					"Policy issue*"		"Care giver*"
OR					"Policy domain*"		"Informal care*"
OR					"Policy domain*"		Voluntar*
OR							Unpaid
OR							Spouse
OR							Child*
OR							Partner
OR							Neighbour
OR							

Table 2: Search Sources

Databases	Conference Abstracts	Grey Literature
Applied Social Sciences Index and Abstracts via ProQuest	Conference Proceedings Citation Index- Science (CPCI-S) via Web of Science	Dissertations & Theses A&I via ProQuest
EMBASE via Ovid SP [Excluding MEDLINE]	Conference Proceedings Citation Index- Social Science & Humanities (CPCI-SSH) via Web of Science	ISI Proceedings
International Bibliography of the Social Sciences via ProQuest		Joanna Briggs Institute EBP Database
McMaster Health Forum - Health System Evidence		Google
MEDLINE via Ovid		Google Scholar
PAIS International via ProQuest		OpenGrey
PubMed [Excluding MEDLINE]		Canadian Public Policy Index
Science Citation Index Expanded (SCI-EXPANDED) via Web of Science		PAIS Index - Public Affairs Information Service
Scopus		Canadian Research Index
Social Science Citation Index (SSRN)		Canadian Electronic Library
Social Sciences Citation Index (SSCI) via Web of Science		Canadian Public Policy Index
Social Services Abstracts via ProQuest		LabourSource (formerly Labour Spectrum)
Sociological Abstracts via ProQuest		
Informit Health Collection		
International Bibliography of Social Sciences		
Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature (CINAHL)		

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Table 3: Dissemination of Findings

Intended Audience	Dissemination Tools/Mean
Federal, provincial, and local/municipal governments	Research report, policy brief, blog, YouTube videos, webinar
Policy makers in other countries	Research report and policy briefs available online for free as an evidence repository, blogs, YouTube videos, webinar
Research community	Peer-reviewed articles and conference presentations, blogs, YouTube videos, webinar
General public	Media engagement through press releases and conferences targeting publication in newspapers, magazine, radio, television