INTRODUCTION

Welcome to the second weekly literature report from the Public Health England Behavioural Science Reference Cell. This report captures a range of COVID-19 related work in the field of Behavioural Science (mostly) released from the 4th – 15th May. Whilst many of the entries are discovered by the authors own searches and therefore do not represent fully comprehensive lists, in future editions we intend to top up the research papers lists with some systematic searches of relevant databases. We have also cross-checked these lists with the Public Health England daily COVID-19 Literature Digest and we are grateful to the work of that team. Finally, it should be noted that 'Retweets ≠ endorsements', and inclusion of content in this report should not be seen as endorsement of any viewpoint contained therein.

If you have any suggestions for the context of the report, feedback on this mailing, or content for inclusion in future reports please email:

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HIGHLIGHTS

As we know how time pressured everyone is at the moment, the authors of the digest have selected three recommended items from the lists below. This week these are:


RESEARCH PAPERS

**Pre-prints (not peer-reviewed)**


The German COVID-19 Survey on Mental Health: Primary Results, Stefanie Jung et al., medRxiv, 12th May 2020.

Immunity Passports for SARS-CoV-2: an online experimental study of the impact of antibody test terminology on perceived risk and behaviour, Jo Waller et al., medRxiv, 10th May 2020.


**Published**


Applying principles of behaviour change to reduce SARS-CoV-2 transmission, Robert West et al., Nature Human Behaviour, 6th May 2020.


Community participation is crucial in a pandemic, Cicely Marson et al., The Lancet, 4th May 2020.


Impact of home quarantine on physical activity for older adults living at home during the Covid-19 pandemic: Qualitative interview study, Luc Goethals et al., JMIR Aging, 1st May 2020.


**COMMENTARIES, STATEMENTS, POSITION PAPERS, AND GREY LITERATURE**


Face Masks for the General Public, report from the Royal Society DELVE Initiative, 4th May 2020.

What is the Health Psychology Exchange and what can it do?, Health Psychology Exchange, April 2020.

Evidence on school closure and children’s social contact: useful for coronavirus disease (COVID-19)?, Michele Poletti et al., Eurosurveillance, April 2020.


COV.31: How do patients respond to text messaging in primary care?, Hugo Pedder et al., NIHR and University of Bristol, 20th April 2020.

Using mobile data for surveillance to tackle coronavirus crisis, Ipsos MORI, 18th April 2020.


The potential impact of COVID-19 on mental health outcomes and the implications for service solutions, James Nobles et al., NIHR and University of Bristol, 15th April 2020.


Recommendations to Member States to improve hand hygiene practices to help prevent the transmission of the COVID-19 virus, WHO, 1st April 2020.

**BLOGS**

Behavioural science advice to help people wear face masks safely and consistently, blog from the Behavioural Science Consortium, 12th May 2020.

From ‘stay at home’ to ‘stay alert’: the importance of language in the UK government’s COVID-19 response, Silas Scott, LSE Blog, 12th May 2020.

Facemasks: would you wear one?, BI team, 11th May 2020.

The ‘precautionary principle’ and face masks, Personal blog of Robert West, 11th May 2020.

Why reassuring the public may not be the best way to end lockdown, Simon Wessely et al., Kings College London Blog, 9th May 2020.

Making messages work, Claire Greszczuk, The Health Foundation, 21st April 2020.
**PODCASTS, WEBINARS, AND RECORDINGS**


RSM LIVE, ongoing webinar series by The Royal Society of Medicine.

Mental Health & COVID-19, ongoing webinar series by The Lancet Psychiatry, Mental Health Innovation Network, MHPSS.net and United for Global Mental Health.

Towards the 'new normal', and beyond..., BPS webinar featuring Susan Michie, Rowena Hill, and Kathryn Scott, 5th May 2020.

BBC radio 4 ‘Start of the week’ on changing behaviour, from bystander to actor, first broadcast on 27th April 2020.

Psychological First Aid: Addressing Mental Health Distress During Disasters, EPIC webinar, 22nd April 2020.

**NEWSPAPER AND JOURNALISM ARTICLES**

Transparency is key in a crisis - so why isn't the British government being straight with us?, Stephen Reciher, Guardian Opinion article, 13th May 2020.

Belgium experiments with 'corona bubbles' to ease social restrictions, The Guardian article, 10th May 2020.


Three key drivers of good messaging in a time of crisis: expertise, empathy and timing, Marina Joubert et al., The Conversation, 14th April 2020.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

COVID-19 Research Project Tracker, UKCDR and GloPID-R.

COVID-19 Primer research tracker