INTRODUCTION

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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:

1. The mental health effects of the first two months of lockdown and social distancing during the Covid-19 pandemic in the UK, James Banks et al., Institute for Fiscal Studies, 10th June 2020.

2. In Focus: Gender equality matters in COVID-19 response, UN women.


RESEARCH PAPERS

Pre-prints (not peer-reviewed)


Mental health during the COVID-19 pandemic in two longitudinal UK population cohorts, Alex Siu Fung Kwong et al., medRxiv, 18th June 2020.

Reframing the psychological impact of the COVID-19 outbreak through a social media community for students, Francesco Pagnini et al., PsyArXiv Preprints, 18th June 2020.

Mental health service activity during COVID-19 lockdown: South London and Maudsley data on working age community and home treatment team services and mortality from February to mid-May 2020, Robert Stewart et al., medRxiv, 16th June 2020.


They stumble that run fast: the economic and COVID-19 transmission impacts of reopening industries in the US, Marita Zimmermann et al., medRxiv, 12th June 2020.
Published


The Outbreak of Coronavirus Disease in China: Risk Perceptions, Knowledge, and Information Sources Among Prenatal and Postnatal Women, Tsorng-Yeh Lee et al., Woman Birth, 29th May 2020.

What should be done to support the mental health of healthcare staff treating COVID-19 patients?, Derek K. Tracy et al., The British Journal of Psychiatry, 19th May 2020.


I need you closer to me: Effects of affiliation goals on perceptions of interpersonal distance, Mariëlle Stel et al., European Journal of Social Psychology, 12th June 2015.

COMMENTARIES, STATEMENTS, POSITION PAPERS, AND GREY LITERATURE

Impacts of social isolation among disadvantaged and vulnerable groups during public health crises, Charlotte Gayer-Anderson et al., King’s College London, June 2020.


Health professionals should use their voice to advocate for breathing space in our cities after covid-19. Deepa Shah et al., BMJ, 17th June 2020.


The mental health effects of the first two months of lockdown and social distancing during the Covid-19 pandemic in the UK. James Banks et al., Institute for Fiscal Studies, 10th June 2020.


Recommendations to promote an effective multi-agency response. Louise Davidson et al., Crisis Response, 16th June 2020.


Behavioural Science - Help or Hindrance?. CoronaNomics, 12th June 2020.
NEWSPAPER ARTICLES AND OTHER JOURNALISM

I’m proud to be a scientist in Sage – to call us ‘secrety’ is unjustified, Ian Boyd, Opinion in The Guardian, 19th June 2020.

MISCELLANEOUS

In Focus: Gender equality matters in COVID-19 response, UN women.

NHS CHECK, Survey on Health & Experiences of staff working at NHS Trusts, King's College London, ongoing.


Avoid the “Three Cs”!, Poster from the Prime Minister’s Office of Japan.