

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTABILITY (CEA) HOW TO DO A DESK REVIEW ON COVID-19

Aim

A desk review can assist us in understanding the relationship between risk perceptions; self-reported protective and preparedness behaviours; trust and knowledge; and the detection of misinformation and issues related to stigma to identify appropriate and effective outbreak response interventions, advocacy and messages.

Methods

A desk review should target emerging research globally. Suggested key search terms that could be used to conduct a desk review would include:

covid; covid-19; epidemic; public health crisis; public participation; risk communication; risk perception; humanitarian emergency; ethnic minority populations; language barriers; disabilities; gender.

Recommended search engines are included below.

A decision on what to include and exclude in desk reviews should be made. For example, thinking of excluding publications before certain dates will identify relevant up to date literature. Also, ensure that the literature is reliable. Literature appearing in a peer-reviewed journal is an example of reliable literature.

Recommended databases

Web of Science, IFRC evaluation database; Google Scholar, PUB med, International Journal of Emergency Management ProQuest, Relevant emergency management journals in each territory, Government agencies and data analysis organizations i.e. ISPO, evidence aid, Relief Web, GDPC, Active Learning Network for Accountability and Performance in Humanitarian Action, Overseas Development Institute and Communicating with Disaster Affected Communities etc.