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Training programs for prevention and control violence against children: a scoping review protocol

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Abstract

Introduction
Violence against children is a highly prevalent global health problem and its consequences, often lasting and intergenerational, have a devastating impact, leading to a wide range of health and social problems. Health professionals are required to be qualified and intervene in matters of promoting children's rights and protection, whether through identifying and combating violence and child abuse, as well as supporting families and parenting.

Objective
Map training programs using technology, for health professionals, focusing on preventing and combating violence against children.

Method
This scoping review will follow the methodology proposed by the *Joanna Briggs Institute*. Therefore, eligibility criteria based on population, concept, and context (PCC) will be defined. Regarding the research strategy and identification of studies, the following electronic databases will be used: *MEDLINE Complete, CINAHL Complete, Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection, ERIC, Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials, MedicLatina, SCOPUS, Web of Science*. For the search for unpublished studies and grey literature, the search will be carried out in the *Open Access Scientific Repositories of Portugal, Portal of Periodicals of the Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel, OpenGrey and the National Grey Literature Collection*. The research will be carried out in three stages. The search results in the databases will be exported to the *Mendeley Desktop Reference Manager,* through which duplicate entries will be identified and removed. To facilitate the archiving, organization, and selection of articles, the Rayyan QCRI platform will be used. Documents eligibility will be achieved by analysing the title and/or abstract. This process will be performed by at least two independent reviewers, resorting to another reviewer to clarify differences. Documents that meet the outlined eligibility criteria move on to the next phase, the full reading. The results obtained after the screening will be presented according to the PRISMA-ScR recommendations. The extraction and synthesis of data will be carried out using instruments developed by the reviewers.

Results and Discussion
It is intended that the scoping review resulting from this protocol responds to the formulated objective, through the mapping and characterization of training programs using technology, for health professionals, with a focus on promoting and protecting children's rights and combating abuse and violence against children.

Conclusions and Implications
It is hoped that the scoping review constitutes a starting point for the analysis and systematization of the main existing evidence on training programs using technology, addressed to health professionals, with a focus on the prevention and control of violence against children, as well as a contribution to support the analysis of clinical practices and the design of a training program to improve the qualification and intervention of professionals in the

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promotion of children's rights.

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