

Guideline topic: Children and young people exposed prenatally to alcohol

General comments

This narrative contains information relating to key question 1 only. Other key questions were not answered by the SIGN systematic literature reviews and further evidence for this guideline was extracted from the [Canadian guideline](#), see SIGN 156: Children and young people exposed prenatally to alcohol for further details.

Search results (whole guideline topic)

Guidelines websites searched

- [Canadian Medical Association](#)
- [Australian Clinical Practice Guidelines](#)
- [NICE](#)

Patient search

The patient search was conducted using the stem search strategy outlined below in conjunction with the patient search filter.

Databases searched: Medline, Embase, Cinahl, PsycINFO
Date searched: 2007– May 2017

Systematic review search

The systematic review search was conducted using the stem search strategy outlined below in conjunction with the SIGN systematic review filter.

Databases searched: Medline, Embase, Cinahl, PsycINFO, EBSCO Psychology and Behavioural Sciences Collection, Midwives Information and Resource Service (MIDIRS) and the Cochrane Library.

Canadian Guidelines provided 246 references:

Date searched: May 2017

Dates covered: 2007– May 2017

Total hits: 1,485

Selected: 43

Final: 06

Stem search strategies (*Medline*)

Patient stem search strategy

SIGN Patient issues search filter available from: <https://www.sign.ac.uk/search-filters.html>

Generic stem search strategy

1. exp Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders/
2. exp Prenatal Exposure Delayed Effects/
3. FASD.mp.
4. prenatal exposure delayed effects.mp.
5. (prenatal adj3 alcohol).mp.
6. (prenatal adj3 ethanol).mp.
7. (in utero adj3 ethanol).mp.
8. (pregn\$ adj3 alcohol).mp.
9. (pregn\$ adj3 ethanol).mp.
10. (pregn\$ adj3 drinking).mp.
11. prenatal alcohol exposure.mp.
12. *Prenatal Exposure Delayed Effects/ or fetal alcohol effects.mp.
13. alcohol related neurodevelopmental disorder.mp.
14. fetal alcohol effects.mp.
15. alcohol related neurological difficulties.mp.
16. (fetal adj alcohol).mp.
17. (microceph\$ adj3 (alcohol or ethanol)).mp.
18. ((f*tal or neonat\$ or prenatal\$) adj3 (alcohol or ethanol)).mp.
19. (neurodevelopmental disorder adj3 (alcohol or ethanol)).mp.
20. or/1-19
21. limit 20 to (abstracts and english language)
22. limit 21 to humans
23. limit 22 to animals
24. 22 not 23