

Subcommittee 9 Youth

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Question 1

 Is there a relationship between physical activity and health outcomes, including weight status/body composition, in children younger than 6 years of age?

Analytical Framework

Systematic Review Question

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Target Population

Children, ages 0-6

Comparison

Least active subgroup

Intervention/Exposure

All types and intensities of physical activity, including any kind of play (structured or free), sports, and other activities

Analytical Framework

Endpoint Health Outcomes

- Adiposity
- Asthma
- Blood pressure
- Body composition
- Bone, bone mineral content, bone geometry, bone mineral density
- Fatness
- Gross motor movement
- Gross motor skill development
- Growth

- Motor skill competence
- Muscle mass, lean mass
- Musculoskeletal development and fitness
- Physical fitness
- Weight (underweight, normal, overweight, obese)
- Weight status
- Weight trajectory change
- Cardiometabolic risk factors

Common Inclusion/ Exclusion Criteria

- Language
 - Exclude: Studies that do not have full text in English
- Publication Status
 - Include: Studies published in peer-reviewed journals, PAGAC-approved reports
 - Exclude: Grey literature
- Study Subjects
 - Exclude: Studies of animals only

Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

- Date of Publication
 - Original Research: Anytime
 - Existing Sources: Include 2006 Present

- Study Subjects
 - Include: Children ages 0–6

Inclusion/Exclusion Criteria

Study Design

- Include: Randomized controlled trials, Nonrandomized controlled trials, Prospective cohort studies, Retrospective cohort studies, Casecontrol studies, Cross-sectional studies, Beforeand-after studies, Systematic reviews, Metaanalyses, Time series, PAGAC-Approved reports
- Exclude: Narrative reviews, Commentaries, Editorials

Exposure/Intervention

- Include: All types and intensities of physical activity
- Exclude: Physical activity not primary exposure variable, Therapeutic exercise

Draft Search Terms

Outcomes

- Adiposity
- Asthma
- Blood pressure
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- Bone mineral content
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Prioritized Questions

- Recent evidence for the effects of moderate-tovigorous physical activity, vigorous physical activity, and total physical activity of selected types, on health outcomes in youth
 - Is physical activity related to cardiorespiratory fitness, weight status, and other cardiometabolic risk factors?
 - Does physical activity prevent or reduce excessive weight gain that results in overweight or obesity?
 - Are muscle-strengthening and bone-strengthening physical activity related to musculoskeletal health?
 - Does recent evidence inform dose-response curves for established associations?

Prioritized Questions

3. Sedentary behavior and health in youth

- Is sedentary behavior associated with health outcomes, including weight status/body composition, in youth?
- Are the effects of sedentary behavior on health outcomes in youth independent of the effects of light, moderate, or vigorous physical activity on those outcomes?

Areas for PAGAC Input or Discussion

 Physical activity and health in young adults 18-25

Maternal physical activity and birth weight