Health Promotion: Diverse Strategies Across Settings and Populations

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Introduction

The landscape of health promotion is continually evolving, with a systematic review exploring the increasing impact of technology on health promotion strategies, highlighting its potential to enhance outreach, personalize interventions, and improve health literacy across diverse populations. It emphasizes the need for well-designed, evidence-based digital tools to address public health challenges effectively[1].

This systematic review assesses various workplace health promotion interventions, finding that comprehensive programs targeting physical activity, nutrition, and mental well-being can significantly improve employee health outcomes, reduce absenteeism, and boost productivity. The review underscores the importance of tailored, multi-component approaches for sustainable impact[2].

This systematic review examines digital health promotion interventions specifically for older adults, revealing their potential to enhance physical activity, cognitive function, and social engagement. It highlights the importance of user-friendly interfaces, personalized content, and addressing digital literacy barriers to maximize engagement and effectiveness in this demographic[3].

This systematic review examines strategies for adapting health promotion interventions to effectively serve culturally and linguistically diverse populations. It highlights the importance of cultural sensitivity, language appropriateness, and community engagement in tailoring programs to improve health equity and outcomes for these groups[4].

This scoping review outlines the critical and expanding role of nurses in health promotion across various settings. It emphasizes their capacity for patient education, advocacy, and implementing community-based interventions, positioning them as key players in fostering healthy behaviors and preventing disease[5].

This systematic review evaluates school-based health promotion interventions for adolescents, identifying effective strategies to promote healthy eating, physical activity, and mental well-being. It highlights the importance of comprehensive, multi-component programs integrated into the curriculum and supported by the school environment[6].

This systematic review explores the link between urban green spaces and health promotion, demonstrating how access to nature can improve physical activity, mental health, and social cohesion. It advocates for urban planning that prioritizes green infrastructure to enhance public health and well-being[7].

This systematic review investigates the barriers and facilitators to implementing health promotion activities in primary care settings. It identifies factors such as time constraints, lack of training, and patient engagement as challenges, while highlighting supportive policies, multidisciplinary teamwork, and adequate resources as key facilitators for success[8].

This systematic review examines various policy approaches aimed at promoting healthy eating habits among children. It identifies effective interventions such as fiscal measures, marketing restrictions, and school food policies, underscoring the critical role of governmental and institutional strategies in shaping children's dietary environments[9].

This systematic review assesses the effectiveness of digital mental health interventions for health promotion, finding that online platforms and apps can be valuable tools for improving mental well-being, reducing stress, and fostering resilience. It highlights the potential for scalable and accessible mental health support through digital technologies[10].

Description

The body of research on health promotion encompasses a wide array of settings, populations, and intervention strategies, often synthesized through systematic and scoping reviews. These reviews critically assess existing evidence to guide future public health initiatives. One consistent theme across these studies is the multifaceted nature of health promotion, requiring comprehensive and tailored approaches to achieve meaningful impact. From the broad influence of technology to the intricacies of policy development, understanding effective strategies is paramount for improving societal well-being. Many interventions aim to foster healthy behaviors and prevent disease through various avenues.

A significant focus in recent health promotion research is the integration of technology and digital tools. Technology notably enhances outreach, personalizes interventions, and improves health literacy across diverse popu-

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lations. It is crucial for these digital tools to be well-designed and evidence-based to effectively address public health challenges [1]. Specifically, digital health promotion interventions for older adults have shown promise in boosting physical activity, cognitive function, and social engagement. Success in this area hinges on user-friendly interfaces, personalized content, and overcoming digital literacy barriers [3]. Furthermore, digital mental health interventions, including online platforms and apps, are proving to be valuable in improving mental well-being, reducing stress, and fostering resilience. They represent a scalable and accessible means of mental health support [10].

Health promotion efforts are also highly contextualized, with targeted interventions yielding substantial benefits in specific settings and populations. Comprehensive workplace health promotion programs, for example, which address physical activity, nutrition, and mental well-being, are shown to significantly improve employee health outcomes, reduce absenteeism, and enhance productivity. These programs require tailored, multi-component approaches for sustained impact [2]. Similarly, school-based interventions for adolescents are effective in promoting healthy eating, physical activity, and mental well-being when integrated into the curriculum and supported by the school environment [6]. Adapting health promotion interventions for culturally and linguistically diverse populations is equally vital, demanding cultural sensitivity, language appropriateness, and strong community engagement to improve health equity and outcomes [4].

Beyond individual and programmatic interventions, environmental factors and professional roles play a key part in health promotion. Urban green spaces, for instance, are intrinsically linked to better health, demonstrating their capacity to improve physical activity, mental health, and social cohesion. This suggests that urban planning should prioritize green infrastructure to bolster public health and well-being [7]. The role of healthcare professionals is also central; nurses, through patient education, advocacy, and community-based interventions, are critical players in fostering healthy behaviors and preventing disease across various settings [5]. However, implementing health promotion activities in primary care can face barriers like time constraints and lack of training, emphasizing the need for supportive policies, multidisciplinary teamwork, and adequate resources to facilitate success [8].

Policy approaches are another powerful lever for health promotion, particularly in shaping environments for vulnerable groups. For children, policy interventions such as fiscal measures, marketing restrictions, and school food policies are effective in promoting healthy eating habits. These strategies highlight the critical role of governmental and institutional frameworks in influencing dietary environments [9]. The collective findings from these reviews underscore a consistent message: effective health promotion necessitates a holistic approach. This involves leveraging technology responsibly, tailoring interventions to specific demographic and cultural needs, optimizing environmental factors, empowering healthcare professionals, and implementing robust public health policies. Sustained impact in public health relies on continuous evaluation and adaptation of these diverse strategies.

Conclusion

The provided data consists of ten systematic and scoping reviews exploring various facets of health promotion. Key themes emerge, including the

significant role of technology in enhancing outreach, personalizing interventions, and improving health literacy across diverse populations, with a specific focus on digital tools for older adults and mental health support. Reviews also highlight the importance of comprehensive health promotion strategies in workplaces, which improve employee health outcomes, reduce absenteeism, and boost productivity through multi-component programs targeting physical activity, nutrition, and mental well-being. Further insights reveal effective school-based interventions for adolescents. promoting healthy eating, physical activity, and mental well-being through integrated curricula. The data also emphasizes adapting interventions for culturally and linguistically diverse populations, stressing cultural sensitivity and community engagement. The critical role of nurses in patient education, advocacy, and community-based interventions is outlined, positioning them as central to fostering healthy behaviors. Urban planning that integrates green spaces is shown to improve physical activity, mental health, and social cohesion. Challenges and facilitators for health promotion in primary care settings are identified, alongside effective policy approaches for promoting healthy eating habits in children, such as fiscal measures and marketing restrictions. Overall, the reviews consistently advocate for tailored, multi-component, and evidence-based approaches, recognizing the diverse contexts and populations involved in effective health promotion efforts.

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