

The Big Picture Review Family

	Scoping Reviews		Mapping Reviews		Evidence and Gap Maps (EGMs)
Purpose >	Clarifies and identifies key concepts/definitions, characteristics or factors related to a concept	•	Collates, describes, and catalogues the available evidence related to the question of interest	•	Systematic evidence synthesis product which visually displays the available evidence and identify research gaps relevant to a specific research question
Question	Narrow focus to a broad question: What are the definitions for a particular concept?	•	Broad question: what do we know about a topic? Or what and where does research exist on a particular area?	•	Very broad question Includes all relevant evidence of a specified kind for a particular sector, or sub-sector
Evidence source	Identifies and maps evidence irrespective of source Number of evidence sources included can vary	•	Identifies and maps evidence irrespective of source Generally >80+ studies	•	Identifies and maps evidence irrespective of source Generally > 80+ studies
Extraction	Extensive and detailed data extractions	•	High-level with pre-defined codes for extraction	•	High-level with pre-defined codes for extraction
Analysis	Inductive (need to be developed) or deductive (pre-determined) analysis (may include basic qualitative content analysis)	•	Deductive summary of high level data with pre-defined codes	•	Deductive summary of high-level data dependent on framework
Presentation of results	Visual summaries must be accompanied by a descriptive synthesis. With/without EGMs	•	Visual summaries With/without EGMs	•	Visual, interactive online output placed on a web-based platform, such as a funders webpage