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Associations and impacts of hate online and in traditional media on individuals, audiences, and communities

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This ongoing Campbell Collaboration systematic review is sponsored by Public Safety Canada for the Five Research and Development (5RD) Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) network. The review will gather appraise and synthesize research on the associations and impacts of hate online and in traditional media at the individual, community, and societal levels. More specifically, the review will (1) critically and systematically synthesize the empirical evidence on the effects or impacts of exposure to or consumption, active search, or promotion of hate content online or in traditional media; (2) describe how the characteristics of hate (e.g., type of content, ideologies, severity, type of platform) impact the documented effects; (3) collect and identify the role of contextual variables (e.g., individual traits, age, gender, socio-economic background) on the documented effects; (4) collect and produce a meaningful classification of outcomes; and (5) identify gaps and limitations in the research and related policy documents. This review will be used to inform policy-makers and professionals working in the field about existing strategic countermeasures, and gaps in evidence that can be used to determine future research needs. Findings will be available at the time of the symposium and their policy and research implications will be discussed.