

Supplementary Table 1: Description of search strategy, screening criteria and extraction

Research question	Identification and mapping of UK and national policies that potentially impact upon child and maternal health outcomes
Data sources	Policy owners (UK Government, Irish Assembly, Scottish Government, Welsh Assembly) AND relevant Departments Existing public health policy reviews (Horizon scanning by Jenny Woodman/CPRU) The Childhood Policy Programme (The British Academy) Evaluations of policy interventions
Search criteria	<p>Government websites</p> <p>1. <i>Open keyword search</i> 'Child', 'child health', 'child and maternal health'</p> <p>2. <i>Category search (Executive level)</i> (categories selected based upon social determinants of health) <i>UK/England</i> (www.gov.uk): filtering based on categories: Childcare and Parenting (Pregnancy and Birth, Financial Help, Childcare, Schools and Education) <i>Ireland</i> (www.nidirect.gov.uk): Benefits and Money, Environment and the Outdoors, Employment, Training and Careers, Health and Well-Being, Family, Home and Community, Property and Housing, Travel, Transport and Roads, Education (www.northernireland.gov.uk): Children and Young People, Community and Society, Employment, Equality, Rights & Citizenship, Health, Housing, Public Health, Regeneration, Schools, Transport, Welfare <i>Scotland</i> (www.gov.scot): Children and Families, Economy, Education, Equality and Rights, Environment and Climate Change, Health and Social Care, Housing, Transport <i>Wales</i> (www.gov.wales): Children and Families, Communities and Regeneration, Education and Skills, Environment and Climate Change, Equality, Health and Social Care, Housing, Transport</p> <p>3. <i>Publication search (Department level)</i>: Departments of Education, Health, Economy, Environment, Social Security Scotland etc.</p> <p>Public Health Agencies in all 4 UK nations: open keyword (as above) and category searches of publications.</p> <p>Existing literature/reports Public health policy reviews on child and maternal health in 4 UK nations Intervention evaluations of child and maternal health policies in 4 UK nations</p>
Inclusion criteria	<p><i>Geographical coverage</i>: UK, England, Northern Ireland, Scotland, and Wales <i>Early years periods</i>: pregnancy, infancy, pre-school <i>Year of policy implementation</i>: from 1981 to present, 1995-2021 (before/after New Labour in 1997) <i>Policy area (SDH)</i>: welfare, employment, health, housing, education, and environment <i>Population coverage</i>: national level policies <i>Type of policy</i>: fiscal, regulation or education, communication, and information <i>Funding</i>: UK or National government</p>
Exclusion criteria	<p><i>Geographical coverage</i>: policies outside UK <i>Early years periods</i>: policies aimed directly/solely at children older than 6 years of age <i>Year of policy implementation</i>: before 1981 (due to data availability)</p>

	<p><i>Policy area:</i> dental policies</p> <p><i>Population coverage:</i> local/city level policies, minority groups (e.g., asylum seekers/travellers)</p> <p><i>Type of policy:</i> National reports (e.g., One Health), action plans, policy strategies</p> <p><i>Funding:</i> non-government funded programmes e.g., National Lottery Funding</p>
Data extracted	Policy name, Policy area, Time period, Geographical coverage, Year of policy, Type of policy (fiscal, regulation or education, communication and information), Short descriptor, URL, (Author for Policy Documents)