

# Overview: Evidence Synthesis

COVID-19 Focal Point Team

## PURPOSE:

The Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action (ACPHA) COVID-19 technical team is responsible for mapping emergent evidence on child protection issues and practices related to the COVID -19 pandemic. This includes news articles, academic articles, reports, guidance and cases studies submitted by members, other CP practitioners or found through active search.

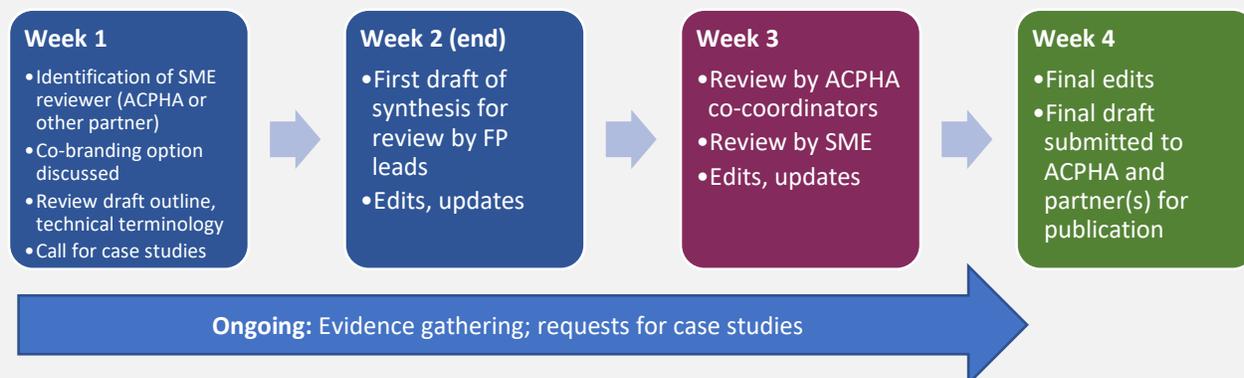
Our main purpose is to document the most pressing child protection issues and associated response measures as they emerge in real-time. This is achieved by regularly monitoring ongoing developments and available information from diverse contexts, compiling the evidence into a central database, and synthesizing the data in a way that offers practical guidance and resource material to support child protection practitioners and advocacy efforts.

The primary audience for the evidence syntheses are humanitarian and child protection practitioners. The secondary audience is donors and policy-makers.

## EVIDENCE SYNTHESIS PROCESS:

While general mapping is ongoing, every 3-4 weeks the team conducts an analysis of news media, academic research, and available guidance on a specific CP topic. Secondary data is supplemented by case studies submitted directly from CP partner organizations and/or through the online case study submission form. Key findings from both primary and secondary data sources are then summarized to produce a high-level synthesis of the evidence, including identified risks, contributing factors, protective measures, emergent responses, and apparent gaps in the data. A rough schedule and timeline of CP topics has been predetermined but is subject to change based on emergent data and/or to align with complementary initiatives.

A key part of the process is liaising with subject matter experts (SME) within the ACPHA and partners. SME will be called upon to review the outline, technical terminology and the draft synthesis.



Syntheses are posted for the public on the [Alliance Website](#).

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