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# Highlights

As we know how time pressured everyone is, the authors of the digest have selected three recommended items from the lists below.

This week these are:

1. [Technical Note from the WHO Technical Advisory Group \(TAG\) on behavioural insights and science for health](#), WHO, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021.
2. [Research into policy: lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic](#), May C I van Schalkwyk & Martin McKee, European Journal of Public Health, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.
3. [Using behavioural science to help minimise the spread of Covid-19](#), Independent SAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

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## Research Papers

### Pre-prints (not peer-reviewed)

[The UK COVID-19 furlough scheme and associations with smoking, alcohol consumption and vaping: evidence from 8 UK longitudinal population surveys](#), Michael J. Green et al., medRxiv, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[The effect of notification window length on the epidemiological impact of COVID-19 contact tracing mobile applications](#), Trystan Leng et al., medRxiv, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Association of alcohol consumption and frequency with loneliness: A cross-sectional study among Japanese workers during the COVID-19 pandemic](#), Yusuke Konno et al., medRxiv, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Defining the determinants of under-vaccination in migrant populations in Europe to improve routine and COVID-19 vaccine uptake: a systematic review](#), Alison F Crawshaw et al., medRxiv, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Parents intention to vaccinate their 5-11 years old children with the COVID-19: vaccine rates, predictors and the role of incentives](#), Liora Shumeli, medRxiv, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Measuring parents' readiness to vaccinate themselves and their children against COVID-19](#), Franziska Rees et al., PsyArXiv, 6<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[The role of anxiety in mediating the relationship between information consumption and COVID-19 protective behaviours](#), Natasha van Antwerpen et al., PsyArXiv Preprints, 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

### Published

[Fear of COVID-19 lead to procrastination among Turkish university students: The mediating role of intolerance of uncertainty](#), Hacı Arif Doğanülkü et al., BMC Psychology 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Low-income neighbourhood was a key determinant of severe COVID-19 incidence during the first wave of the epidemic in Paris](#), Anne-Sophie Jannot et al., Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

['We couldn't have managed without your team': A collaborative palliative care response to the COVID-19 pandemic in residential aged care](#), Fiona Runacres et al., Innovation and Translation, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

['They're like little police': Australian parents' perceptions of their children's awareness of drinking during COVID-19](#), Megan Cook et al., Drug and Alcohol Review, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[An Outreach Phone Call Project: Using Home Health to Reach Isolated Community Dwelling Adults During the COVID 19 Lockdown](#), Sarah Miner et al., Journal of Community Health, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[COVID-19: What have we learned? What are the public health challenges?](#), Dineke Zeegers Paget et al., The European Journal of Public Health, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Research into policy: lessons from the COVID-19 pandemic](#), May C I van Schalkwyk et al., European Journal of Public Health, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[How an outbreak became a pandemic: a chronological analysis of crucial junctures and international obligations in the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic](#), Sudhvir Singh et al., The Lancet, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[A Text Messaging Intervention \(StayWell at Home\) to Counteract Depression and Anxiety During COVID-19 Social Distancing: Pre-Post Study](#), Adrian Aguilera et al., JMIR Mental Health, 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021.

[Beyond building back better: imagining a future for human and planetary health](#), Emilia Aragón de León et al., The Lancet Planetary Health, 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021.

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## Commentaries, Statements, Position Papers, and Grey Literature

[The Place to Be: How social sciences are helping to improve places in the UK](#), Ashley Lenihan et al., Academic of Social Sciences, no date

[Using behavioural science to help minimise the spread of Covid-19](#), Independent SAGE, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Technical Note from the WHO Technical Advisory Group \(TAG\) on behavioural insights and science for health](#), WHO, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

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## Blogs

[The 'psychology of regret' helps explain why vaccine mandates work](#), Adam Galinsky, The Washington Post, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Developments In Psychology's Covid Research](#), Emma L. Barratt, Research Digest, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Anchor institutions must re-imagine how public bodies immerse themselves within local communities](#), Toby Lewis, The King's Fund, 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Covid-19 and ethnicity: we must seek to understand the drivers of higher transmission](#), Daniel Pan et al., The BMJ, 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Why do people believe in conspiracy theories?](#), Christian Jarrett, Science Focus, 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[I've had a wake-up call on Covid vaccines for children – mine will be first in line](#) 7<sup>th</sup> November, Emma Brockes, The Guardian, 7<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Why A Universal COVID-19 Vaccine Mandate Is Ethical Today](#), Matthew K. Wynia et al., Health Affairs, 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021.

[Throwing spaghetti at the wall to overcome Covid vaccine hesitancy](#), Theresa Gaffney, STAT, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2021.

[The power of those small acts of kindness](#), Mark Doughty, The King's Fund, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2021.

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# Podcasts, Webinars, and Recordings

## Upcoming

[Behavioural Science and Public Health Network Annual Conference](#), BSPHN, 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> February 2021.

[Making homeworking a success: Getting the most from remote/hybrid working styles](#), The British Psychology Society, 8<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

[Long-COVID: should this be in the occupational disease fast lane?](#), Thomas Aston Institute, 30<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[What is misinformation? In conversation with Lynn PR's Misinformation Cell](#), Lynn PR, 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

## Pre-recorded

[Angel Chater, Professor of Health Psychology & Behaviour Change & Falko Sniehotta, Professor of Behavioural Medicine & Health Psychology](#), Real World Behavioural Science, Apple Podcasts, No date.

[indie SAGE 12.11.21](#), Independent SAGE, YouTube, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Beyond behaviour change: keynote by Eric Hekler](#), UCL Centre for Behaviour Change 2021 Conference, YouTube, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

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## Newspapers and other Journalism

[Covid: Austrians heading towards lockdown for unvaccinated](#), BBC News, 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Covid-19 is a stark lesson in how humans should tackle the climate crisis](#), Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, The Telegraph, 11<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[Covid-19: Singaporeans who remain "unvaccinated by choice" must fund own treatment, says government](#), Owen Dyer, The BMJ, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

[There's more demand for boosters than first shots of the COVID vaccine](#), Rob Stein, NPR, 5<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

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## Miscellaneous

[Special issue: climate and ecological emergency](#), Tony Wainwright et al., British Psychological Society & Division of Clinical Psychology, October 2021.