

Supplementary files

Table S1. Characteristics of early intervention studies for the prevention of obesity in infancy (N=29).

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Registration No	Trial Name/Acronym	Author , Year (if published)	Country	Study design	Number randomized	Intervention commencement	Duration of follow up	Primary outcome(s)	Secondary outcome (s)	Delivery mode	Intervention components	Controls
ACTRN12607000168459	Healthy Beginnings	Wen 2012 Wen 2015	Australia	RCT	N=667 mother-child dyads	Antenatal	Birth until 5 years	Child BMI z score at child age 2 and 5 years	Infant feeding practices, TV viewing time, active play time, mothers dietary behaviours	Nurse home visits	The nurse visited eight times at home, once at 30-36 weeks' gestation and seven times after the birth (at 1, 3, 5, 9, 12, 18 and 24 months). Four key areas included infant feeding practices, child nutrition and active play, family physical activity and nutrition, and social support.	Usual care: 1x Community Health nurse home visit plus home safety promotion materials at 6 and 12months.
2. ISRCTN81847050	InFANT	Campbell 2013	Australia	Cluster RCT	N= 542 parent-child dyads	Mean 3.8 months	Child age 4months until	Child diet (3x 24 hour diet recalls), child physical	BMI z scores	Sessions with dietitian in pre-existing mothers groups, supportive	Six 2 hour sessions of education delivered by dietitian targeting	Usual care with Maternal and Child Health nurse plus

						20 months	activity (accelerometry) and child TV viewing (parent report)		materials (DVD, written materials and newsletter)	nutrition, physical activity and sedentary behaviours occurred within pre-existing mothers groups, commencing at 3 months at 3monthly intervals (3, 6, 9, 12, 15 and 18 months). Didactic sessions, group discussion and peer support. Reinforced by purpose designed DVD and written materials plus newsletter between sessions	6 newsletters regarding unrelated aspects of child health or development		
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3.	ACTRN12608000056392	NOURISH	Daniels 2013 Daniels 2015	Australia	RCT	N=698 mother-child dyads	Child age 4 months	Child age 4 months until 5 years	BMI z score at 24months and 5 years	Maternal feeding practices	Educational group sessions in supported by detailed written information	Two educational group session modules (6 fortnightly sessions each) commencing at infant age 4-7months and again at 13-16months supported by detailed written information regarding	Usual care: standard community child health services

																		family characteristics and health-related behaviours when child 1month, 6months, 14months and 36months of age
7.	NCT01040897	GREENLIGHT	Sanders	USA	RCT	N= 865 parent-infant dyads	Child age 2months	Child age 5months to 2 years	BMI at 2 years	Child dietary intake, physical activity and injury prevention behaviours	Tool kit with written information, routine reviews with trained Paediatric resident in primary care clinics	Low-literacy toolkit for parents, a health-communication curriculum for child-health providers, including modules on goal-setting techniques, educational toolkit, a clinician-centred curriculum for providing low-literacy guidance on obesity prevention. Behaviour-change components administered by Paediatric residents at each well-child visit from 2	Usual care: plus, injury prevention program (attention placebo)					

												months to 24 months.	
8.	NCT03370445	Addressing Health Literacy and Numeracy to Prevent Childhood Obesity	Cruzatt	USA	RCT	N= 450 parent-child dyads (estimate)	Child age 2 months	Child age 2 months to 5 years	Proportion of children at 24 months who are not overnight (BMI)	Weight status of children at 5 years of age (BMI z score)	'Tool kit' with written information, routine reviews with trained Paediatric resident in primary care clinics	Interaction with Paediatric resident physicians who are trained in improved health communication skills. Also provided with low literacy handouts and study-related 'gifts' to assess nutrition and physical activity behaviours and reinforce evidence based recommendations about early childhood nutrition and physical activity	Usual care: plus injury prevention program (attention placebo)
9.	NCT01167270	INSIGHT	Savage 2016 Adams 2018 Savage 2018	USA	RCT	N= 279 mother-child dyads	Child age 1-2 weeks	Child age 1-2 weeks to 3 years	BMI at 3 years	Patterns of infant weight gain, infant sleep duration, maternal responsiveness, maternal feeding style, infant dietary content and physical activity.	Mailed educational visits, trained nurse home visits, research centre visits and phone calls to deliver messages	At 2 weeks post-partum, intervention materials were mailed to the participant's home. Research nurses conducted home visits at 3, 16, 28, and 40 weeks, and a research centre	Usual care: Routine care plus trained research nurse home visits, research centre visits, phone

											first year and twice a year after which takes place in the family's home, or at the clinic.	
											Melbourne InFANT Program	
											content will be delivered via six emailed newsletters (3 monthly from child age 18 months to 3 years)	Usual care: Routine care in Maternal and Child Health Centres plus general health newsletters ever three months for three years
11	ACTRN12611000386932	INFAnt Extend	Campbell	Australia	Cluster RCT	N= 540 mother-child dyads	Child age 3 months to 36 months	BMI z score and waist circumference at 36 months	Dietary quality, physical activity, screen time	Online educational content, emailed newsletters, nutrition expert	Educational content will be made available online. First-time parent group will be mediated by a nutrition expert, for up to one hour per week.	
12	NCT01541761	Starting Early Obesity Prevention Program	Gross	USA	RCT	N= 533 women-child dyads	Antenatally to 3 years (published data exists at 3 months)	Reduction in prevalence and degree of obesity at 3years (BMI percentiles), diet composition, infant lifestyle	(2x 3month published data: Infant feeding practices and maternal infant feeding knowledge (study 1) and infant activity time (Study 2)	Individual nutrition/breast feeding counselling, educational curriculum in group sessions at well baby visits supported by handouts and DVDs	Individual nutrition/breast feeding counselling, 15 nutrition and parenting support groups (NPSG) coordinated with well child visits, supported with	Usual care: Standard prenatal visits then standard Paediatric primary care (at 5days, 1month, 2months

	24mont hs	at 24 months)	Eating behaviours Energy intake	consultant and trained researcher.	lactation consultant antenatally, at 1 week, 3-4 weeks, 3- 4months and 5 months (3x face to face and 2x via telephone,10- 60mins duration) to support prolonged milk feeding and delay of complementary feeding until 6months. Followed by face to face meetings (30- 60min) with trained researcher at 5.5, 7and 9 months with individualised advice to support to assist mothers with above plus further education on appropriate foods and feeding cues. Questionnaires on baby led approach adherence at 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, and 24 months. BMI	and well child care
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												offered individual session when child is 9-10 months old, then group and phone sessions at 1.5,2,3, and 4 years old.		
17	PMC4442409	Early Obesity Prevention	Schroeder, 2015	USA	Cluster RCT	N= 232 infants	Paediatric visit at 1 month of age	All paediatric visits at 1, 2, 4, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, and 24 months of age, and at annual visits up to age 5 years	BMI, BMI Z score, triceps skinfolds, weight	Parental dietary practices, breastfeeding duration, SNAP participation	Face to face, during all paediatric visits up till 24 months. Supportive phone call once a month and reminder post cards with short educational messages	Families receive 'growing leaps and bounds' program which includes : nutrition, physical activity, feeding patterns, enhancing parents self-efficiency to care for infants, helping parents make healthy food choices for their infants and themselves	Usual care: standard paediatric visits	
18	ACTRN12616001470482	CHAT	Wen 2017	Australia	RCT (3 arm)	N=1056 mother-child dyads	Antenatal	Third trimester to child	BMI z-score at 12 and 24 months, breastfeeding	Child TV viewing time at 12 and 24 months; dietary	Mailed educational material,	The 12 sets of educational brochures are discussed at 1, 2, 4, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, and 24 months paediatric visits	Intervention arm 1 (SMS): Text messages providing information	Usual care: Routine childhood nursing

									age 1 year	ng rate at 12 months, and timing of introductio n of the solids at 6 months	quality at 24 months	telephone or SMS support	about healthy infant and child feeding and lifestyle twice a week for 4 weeks. Intervention arm 2 (telephone support) 6 staged intervention packages by mail followed by a phone call from the research nurse within 1–2 weeks nurse and discuss the issues or concerns raised by the mother.	services from Communit y Health Services plus home safety promotion material and newsletter on Kids Safety 4 times over the study period
15	NCT03077425	CHALO	Karasz, 2018	USA	RCT	N=360 mothers of children 4-6 months old	Home visits at 6 months of age	Childre n aged 6 months to 18 months	Quantity of sippy cups/ bottles, number of sippy cups/bottle s a day (My smile buddy)	Weight for length, BMI for age Z score, weight velocity Z score, added sweeteners/solid s, fruit and vegetables/day, sweetened beverages, use of bottles/sippy cup at bed time, sweet and salty snacks, physical activity, screen time, tooth brushing, dental visits, caries	Home visits by community health workers, follow up telephone support, patient navigation to keep timely dental visits, pamphlets	n=6 home visits by health works: four of the home visits include only mother-child dyads which focus on building rapport, intimacy, identifying risks or family concerns, education, discussing goals, enhance	Enhanced usual care, pamphlet containing ECC and obesity prevention messages. and dental referrals,	

												mother skills to identify infant hunger/satiety cues, and oral hygiene practices.	
												Two of the home visits at 8 and 14 months included either the father or mother in law	
20	NCT03131284	Prevention of Obesity in Toddlers (PROBIT) Trial	Morandi 2019	Italy	RCT	N=529 parent-newborn dyads	First 2 weeks of life	Newborn to 2 years of age	BMI at 24 months of age	BMI at 12 months, lifestyle and feeding practices in the first 2 years of life	Educational program by Paediatricians during routine visits	Paediatricians were trained to provide parents with standardized lifestyle counselling supported by educational written material about the first two years of life during routine visits at 1, 3, 6, 12 and 24 months.	Usual care: Routine visits with regular Paediatrician at 1, 3, 6, 12 and 24 months
21	NL6727 (NTR6938)	"Samen Happie!" An mHealth intervention to prevent obesity through parenting	Karsse van L 2017	The Netherlands	RCT	N= 300 parent-child dyads (estimate)	7-11 months	7-11 months until 4 years	Child BMI at 6 months, 12 months to 4 years.	Parental parenting weight-related behaviours (eating, drinking, sleeping, physical activity/screen time) Weight-related behaviours of the child (healthy eating, drinking,	Mobile application	Mobile application that teaches parents about health parenting practices and styles, but also allows parents to practice through various challenges. The information is grouped into	Waitlist control condition (receive the app after the 12 month intervention period)

												Participants will receive micronutrient powders (MNPs) from 6-24 months and a behavioural change to promote adequate infant and young child feeding practices and the use of MNPs will be delivered to mothers or caregivers. Behaviour change strategy uses ethnographic and marketing methods to promote adequate infant and young child feeding practices and the use of SQ-LNS	
25	NCT03438721	Strong Futures	Beck 2018	USA	RCT	N=240 parent-child dyads (estimate)	Child age 2 weeks	Child age 2 weeks until 24 months	Child dietary intake Child screen time Parent health-related	Child anthropometrics (BMI z score at 6, 12, 15 and 24 months) Parent financial stress Child sleep	Education program during well child visits	Parents will receive education on infant feeding, sleep, and screen time practices just after well-child visits in the first year of life (2 weeks, 2, 4, 6, 9	Usual care: plus financial coaching; education on financial topics i.e. budgeting, savings, managing

									quality of life	Parental feeding styles		and 12months). The education will be provided by a lay health educator. Parents will also receive text messages to reinforce the intervention content	debt (provided by lay health educators trained in financial coaching), reinforced by text messages
26	NCT03444415	PROGESPI	Perez- Lopez 2018	Spain	Cluster RCT	N=414 parent- child dyads (estimate)	Antenatal study	Antenatally until 24months age	BMI at 24months	Weight growth rate, Food intake habits in parents, physical activity in parents, Smoking habit in parents, Anthropometry of parents (BMI), duration of breastfeeding, Child dietary habits, Physical activity patterns in children, Sleep habits, sociodemographic variables	Motivational Interviewing in groups	6x 90minute group workshops (2x during pregnancy, 4x within two years after birth) by trained researchers (GP, nurses, Paediatricians and midwives) to encourage healthy lifestyles to parents, encourage breastfeeding and increase knowledge and self-efficacy to promote health habits re diet, physical activity and sleep habits	Usual care: General information about height, weight and BMI percentile by health professionals during well child visits

27	ChiCTR1800017773	SCHeLTI (Sino-Canadian Healthy Life Trajectory Initiative)	Wu 2018	China	Cluster RCT	N=4000 mother-child dyads (estimate)	6 weeks	6 weeks until 5 years	BMI at 5 years	Fat mass index (child) at 5 years, skinfold thickness at 5 years, birthweight for gestational age prior to hospital discharge after delivery, weight-for-length z-score at <2 years of age	Face to face education sessions, group educational activities, text messaging, motivational web-based tools and apps, community based activities	Multifaceted intervention aiming to positively change behaviour with patient centred face to face sessions, group educational activities and social supports, text messaging to encourage personal goals and barriers to behaviour changes, motivational web-based tools and apps for self monitoring and community based activities	Usual care: plus access to web-based tools and Apps that provide information on child health and safety.
28	NCT03752762	SPOON-Mexico	Martinez 2018	Mexico	RCT	N=1200 caregiver-child dyads (estimate)	0-6months	0-6months until 24months	Infant and young child feeding practices Height Weight gain rate Haemoglobin Prevalence of obesity Prevalence of stunting Prevalence of anaemia	Adherence to Nutritional Supplement Regimen, Exclusive Breastfeeding	Home visits, group sessions, dietary supplement	SQ-LNS supplement from 6-24 months and an innovative behavioural change strategy designed using ethnographic and marketing methods to promote adequate infant and young child feeding practices and the use of SQ-LNS via home	Usual care: Standard health care services as specified by the Health Secretary

												visits and group sessions. Data recorded at child age 6, 9, 12, 15,18, 21 & 24 months	
25	NCT04042467	Greenlight plus study(55)	Rothman 2019	USA	RCT	N=900 parent-infant dyads	First newborn clinic visit	All child Dr visits from 0-24 months	Child weight for length trajectory	Weight for length Z score, BMI Z score trajectory, child overweight or obese	During all child clinic visits from 0-24 months	Families will receive the Greenlight intervention plus a health information technology (HIT) intervention aimed at supporting family goal-setting and behavior change. They will receive instructions on how to access the Greenlight technology platform (iOTA text messaging and website) Families will consistently receive text messages and goals set for children in the first two years of life	During child's clinic visits from 0 -24 months, parents will the receive the basic Greenlight material (low literacy, age specific education booklet) to promote healthy lifestyle and obesity prevention

FAB: Feeding Activity Breastfeeding, NPSG: Nutrition Parenting Support Groups, LNSP- SQ: Lipid Nutrient Supplement Paste Small Quantity, MNP: Micronutrient Powders, POI: Prevention of Obesity in Infancy, SNAP: Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, WIC: Women, Infants, and Children Special Supplemental Nutrition Program, YHC: Youth Health Care

Table S2. Intervention delivery materials and procedures of early intervention studies for the prevention of obesity in infancy (N=29).

Intervention Delivery		Materials						Procedures			
Trial name	Educational handout	Educational handout (image-based)	Educational video	Low literacy educational tool kit	Educational website/app	Educational material mailed out	Feeding supplement	Nutrition and parenting support groups	Phone call consultation	Home Visits	Educational text messages
TOTAL N (%)	15(52)	4(14)	2(7)	3(10)	5(17)	5(17)	2(7)	7(24)	6(21)	12(41)	4(14)
Healthy Beginnings	x										
InFANT	x										
NOURISH	x							x			
FYCS	x										
POI.nz	x	x						x		x	
BeeBOFT						x				x	
GREENLIGHT	x			x							
Addressing Health Literacy and Numeracy to Prevent	x			x							

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Baby's first bites	x					x		x	
SPOON- Guatemala					x		x		x
Strong Futures									x
PROGESPI							x		
SCHeLTI				x			x		x
SPOON- Mexico						x	x		x
Greenlight plus	x		x	x					x

Table S3. Intervention delivery agent.

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Table S4. Intervention components/key messages of early intervention studies for the prevention of obesity in infancy (N=29).

Trial name/acronym	Breast feeding/Bottle feeding advice	Intro of solids	Limit junk foods (eg sweets)	Repeat food exposure	Healthy dietary behaviours in children	Food serving size	Parenting / hunger satiety cues	Parent modelling	Fussy eating	Soothe / Sleep	Sleep promotion	Play/ activity	Tummy time	TV/ screen time	Oral hygiene practices	Growth chart education	HIT technology access education	Health-communication curriculum
Total N (%)	16 (55)	10 (34)	6 (21)	3 (10)	24 (83)	5 (17)	13 (45)	13 (45)	5 (17)	3 (10)	10 (34)	20 (69)	3 (10)	9 (31)	1 (3)	1 (3)	1 (3)	2 (7)
Healthy Beginnings	x	x	x		x		x	x	x	x		x		x				
InFANT					x		x	x	x			x		x				
NOURISH				x	x		x	x										
FYCS	x																	
POI.nz	x	x			x						x	x						
BeeBOFT			x		x							x		x				
GREENLIGHT	x				x			x			x	x		x				x
Addressing Health Literacy and Numeracy to Prevent Childhood Obesity	x				x			x			x	x		x				x
INSIGHT				x	x		x		x	x	x	x				x		
Early STOPP					x						x	x						
InFANT EXTEND					x		x	x	x			x		x				
Starting Early Obesity Prevention Program					x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x						
HLPP					x	x												
BLISS	x	x					x											
Preventing obesity	x		x				x					x						

through early guidance																
PRIMROSE				x			x				x					
Early Obesity Prevention	x	x		x	x	x	x				x					
CHAT	x	x		x	x		x				x	x	x			
CHALO	x	x					x				x	x		x		
PROBIT	x	x	x		x	x	x				x					
Samen Happie	x				x					x	x					
Family Spirit Nurture	x		x		x		x	x				x	x	x		
Baby's first bites		x		x			x									
SPOON-Guatemala	x	x			x											
Strong Futures					x					x			x			
PROGESPI	x				x			x			x	x				
SCHeLTI	x				x						x	x				
SPOON-Mexico	x	x			x											
Greenlight plus					x			x								x

Table S5. Theoretical Models.

Theoretical models used Trial name	Social cognitive theory	Social-ecological theories	Social learning theory	Health beliefs model	Behavioural model	Attachment theory	Transtheoretical model of change	Ecological developmental theory	Theory of planned behaviour	McGuire communication model	Common Risk/Health Factor Approach (CR/HFA)	Not listed
TOTAL N (%)	10(34)	1(3)	5(17)	3(10)	1(3)	2(7)	1(3)	1(3)	1(3)	1(3)	1(3)	16(55)
Healthy Beginnings			x	x								
InFANT	x											
NOURISH	x					x						
FYCS												x
POI.nz												x
BeeBOFT	x	x	x						x	x		
GREENLIGHT	x											
Addressing Health Literacy and Numeracy to Prevent Childhood Obesity	x											
INSIGHT												x
Early STOPP	x				x		x					
InFANT EXTEND												x
Starting Early Obesity Prevention Program	x		x	x								

Table S6. Funding Sources.

Study	Funding Sources
Healthy Beginnings	Australian National Health and Medical Research Council
INFANT	Australian National Health and Medical Research Council
NOURISH	Australian National Health and Medical Research Council HJ Heinz Meat and Livestock Australia Department of Health South Australia Food standards Australia New Zealand Queensland University of technology Roberta Holmes Transition to contemporary Parenthood Program (La Trobe University)
Feeding Young Children Study	US department of Agriculture National Institute of Food and Agriculture
POI.nz	Health Research Council New Zealand Southern District Health Board
BeeBOFT	ZonMW- Netherlands Organisation of Health Research and Development NOW- Netherlands organisation for scientific research
GREENLIGHT	Eunice Kennedy National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Office of Behavioural and Social Science Research National Institutes of Health Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Physician Faculty Scholars Program Health Resources and Services Administration KiDS of the New York University Langone Foundation
Addressing Health Literacy and Numeracy to Prevent Childhood Obesity	NYU Langone Health National Institutes of Health

INSIGHT	National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) National institute of Health National Center for Advancing Translational Sciences The Children's Miracle Network (Penn State Children's Hospital) US Department of Agriculture Penn State Clinical and Translational Institute
Early STOPP	FAS Vinnova Medical Research Council The Karolinska Institute
INFANT extend	Australian National Health and Medical Research Council National Heart Foundation World Cancer Research Fund International
Starting Early Obesity Prevention Program	National Institute of Food and agriculture National institute of Health/Child Health and Human development
HLPP	Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center Health Care System United Healthcare Foundation
BLISS	Lottery Health Research Meat and Livestock Australia Karitane Products Society University of Otago Heinz Watties Ltd Perpetual trustees NZ federation of Woman's Institutes
Preventing Childhood Obesity through early guidance	National institute of Health National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK) Arizona State University College of Nursing and Health Innovation

PRIMROSE	Swedish Research Council for Health
	The Swedish Council for Working Life and Welfare
	The Swedish Research Council
	The Research and Development Committee
	Stockholm, Uppsala and Sormland County Council
	Regional Research Council of the Uppsala and Orebre Health Care Region
	The Public Health Committee of Stockholm County Council
	The Vardal Foundation
	AFA insurance
	The foundation of the Swedish Diabetes Society
	The Karolinska Health Care Sciences Postgraduate School
Early Obesity Prevention:	The Karolinska Institute
	Dannon Institute (USA)
CHAT	NSW Ministry of Health
CHALO	Grant from the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities
PROBIT	Regione Vento
	University of Verona
Samen Happie	Behavioural Science Institute, Radbound Univeristy
Family Spirit Nurture	Eunice Kennedy National Institute of Child Health and Human Development
	Share Our Strength
	Indian Health service
	John Hopkins University Discovery Award
Baby's first bites	NWO - Netherlands organisation for scientific research
	Danone Nutricia research
SPOON Guatemala	Inter-American Developmental Bank
	The PepsiCo Foundation
	JPO-JSF Poverty Reduction Program

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Strong futures	University of California Eunice Kennedy National Institute of child health and human development
PROGESPI	FFIS (Fundacion para la Formacion e Investigacion Sanitarias de la Region de Murcia)
SCHeLTI	International Peace Maternity and Child Health Hospital affiliated to Shanghai Jiao Tong University, School of Medicine University of Sherbrooke University of Sherbrooke, Health Campus National Science Foundation of China(NSFC) Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)
SPOON Mexico	Inter-American Development Bank Hospital Infantil de Mexico Federico Gomez Servicios de Salud de Nayarit The PepsiCo Foundation
Greenlight plus	Vanderbilt University Medical Center Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute Duke University University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill Stanford University NYU Langone Health University of Miami

Table S7. Effectiveness of trial intervention on secondary outcomes.

Study, Author, Year	Sample Size	Outcome	Reported Outcome at End of Follow Up		Effect Size
			Control Group	Intervention Group	
Healthy Beginnings, Wen, 2012,	N = 667	At 2 years			
		Vegetable ≥ 1 serving/day	83%	89%	Difference: 7, CI (1 to 13), $p = 0.03$
		Fruit ≥ 1 serving/day	93%	90%	Difference: -2, CI (-7 to 3), $p = 0.43$
		Food for reward	72%	62%	Difference: -9, CI (-17 to -1), $p = 0.03$
		Water > 3 cups/day	19%	24%	Difference 6, CI (-1 to 13), $p = 0.12$
		Hot chips/French fries	88%	86%	Difference -1, CI (-7 to 5), $p = 0.65$
		Salty snack	70%	65%	Difference -5, CI (-13 to 4), $p = 0.29$
		Sweet snack every day	77%	73%	Difference: -4, CI (-12 to 4), $p = 0.31$
		Soft drink	26%	24%	Difference: -3, CI (-10 to 5), $p = 0.48$
		Outdoor play ≥ 120 min/day	61%	62%	Difference: 1, CI (-8 to 9), $p = 0.9$
		TV on during meal	76%	66%	Difference: -10, CI (-18 to -2), $p = 0.02$
		Eat dinner in front of TV	68%	56%	Difference: -12, CI (-21 to -3), $p = 0.01$
		Viewing TV > 60 min/day	22%	14%	Difference: -8, CI (-15 to -1), $p = 0.02$
Healthy Beginnings, Wen, 2015,		At 3.5 years			
		Vegetable ≥ 2 serving/day	45.1%	44.5%	aOR 0.39 (95% CI, 0.62 to 1.45), $p = 0.82$
		Fruit ≥ 2 serving/day	68.6%	69.7%	aOR 1.11 (95% CI, 0.71 to 1.74), $p = 0.65$
		Food for reward	70.1%	73%	aOR 1.14 (95% CI, 0.72 to 1.81), $p = 0.58$
		Salty snack	79.9%	80.1%	aOR 1.05 (95% CI, 0.63 to 1.75), $p = 0.85$

Confectionery	28.9%	33.2%	aOR 1.26 (95% CI, 0.80 to 1.99), p = 0.32
Soft drink	68.1%	66.4%	aOR 0.96 (95% CI, 0.62 to 1.48), p = 0.86
Outdoor play ≥120 min/day	73%	64.9%	aOR 0.84 (95% CI, 0.54 to 1.31), p = 0.45
TV on during meal	6.4%	11.4%	aOR 1.68 (95% CI, 0.79 to 3.58), p = 0.18
Eat dinner in front of TV	43.3%	42.4%	aOR 0.89 (95% CI, 0.56 to 1.4), p = 0.61
Viewing TV >60 min/day	67.4%	72.8%	aOR 1.31 (95% CI, 0.81 to 2.14), p = 0.27
At 5 years	65.2%	62.3%	aOR 0.97 (95% CI, 0.61 to 1.53), p = 0.89
Vegetable ≥2 serving/day	67.4%	65.4%	aOR 0.95 (95% CI, 0.60 to 1.50), p = 0.83
Fruit ≥2 serving/day	86%	79.1%	aOR 0.71 (95% CI, 0.40 to 1.28), p = 0.25
Food for reward	39.3%	37.2%	aOR 0.91 (95% CI, 0.58 to 1.42), p = 0.67
Salty snack	65.2%	67.5%	aOR 1.07 (95% CI, 0.67 to 1.71), p = 0.77
Confectionery	71.3%	70.2%	aOR 1.12 (95% CI, 0.69 to 1.80), p = 0.65
Soft drink	55.1%	55.5%	aOR 1.15 (95% CI, 0.74 to 1.77), p = 0.54
Outdoor play ≥120 min/day	10%	10%	aOR 0.89 (95% CI, 0.44 to 1.83), p = 0.76
TV on during meal			
Eat dinner in front of TV			

Viewing TV >60

min/day

INFANT, Campbell, 2013	N = 457	Child diet at 20 months			Mean difference
		Fruit intake (g/d)	152.9	161.2	13.33 (95% CI, -2.59 to 29.25), p = 0.1
		Vegetable intake (g/d)	80.8	85.3	Mean difference 6.62 (95% CI, -2.51 to 15.76), p = 0.16
		Water intake (g/d)	338.7	362.9	Mean difference 30.28 (95% CI, -3.30 to 63.87), p = 0.08
		Noncore drink intake (g/d)	25.4	23.7	Mean difference -5.56 (95% CI, -17.48 to 6.36), p = 0.36
		Sweet snack intake (g/d)	14.7	11.0	Mean difference -3.60 (95% CI, -6.34 to -0.86), p = 0.01
		Savoury snack intake (g/d)	5.8	4.8	Mean difference -1.02 (95% CI -2.82 to 0.79), p = 0.27
		Child physical activity (min/d)	236.8	224.1	Mean difference -2.03 (95% CI, -9.75 to 5.70), p = 0.61
INFANT, Hesketh, 2020	N = 361 N = 337	Television viewing (min/d)	60.6	45.5	Mean difference -17.12 (95% CI, -26.45 to -7.79), p = <0.001
		Child diet at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.23 (95% CI, 0.01 to 0.45)
		Fruit intake (g/d)	-	-	
		Vegetable intake at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.28 (95% CI, 0.05 to 0.51)
		Water intake at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.41 (95% CI, 0.14 to 0.67)
		Fruit variety at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.13 (95% CI, -0.10 to 0.35)
		Vegetable variety at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.24 (95% CI, 0.03 to 0.45)
		Non core drinks at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.08 (95% CI, -0.18 to 0.33)

Sweet snacks intake at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.24 (95% CI, -0.42 to -0.07)
Savory snack intake at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.06 (95% CI, -0.23 to 0.12)
Television viewing at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.08 (95% CI, -0.25 to 0.09)
Sitting time at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.13 (95% CI, -0.49 to 0.23)
Child physical activity at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0 (95% CI, -0.26 to 0.27)
Light intensity PA at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.17 (95% CI, -0.11 to 0.44)
Moderate to vigorous PA at 3.6 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.21 (95% CI, -0.50 to 0.08)
Child diet at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.07 (95% CI, -0.14 to 0.27)
Fruit intake (g/d)	-	-	
Vegetable intake at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.11 (95% CI, -0.10 to 0.32)
Water intake at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.19 (95% CI, -0.03 to 0.40)
Fruit variety at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.12 (95% CI, -0.10 to 0.33)
Vegetable variety at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.14 (95% CI, -0.06 to 0.34)
Non core drinks at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.17 (95% CI, -0.33 to -0.00)
Sweet snacks intake at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.26 (95% CI, -0.47 to -0.05)
Savory snack intake at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.00 (95% CI, -0.22 to 0.23)

		Television viewing at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.15 (95% CI, -0.33 to 0.03)
		Sitting time at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.08 (95% CI, -0.26 to 0.10)
		Child physical activity at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0 (95% CI, -0.26 to 0.25)
		Light intensity PA at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size 0.15 (95% CI, -0.09 to 0.38)
		Moderate to vigorous PA at 5 years	-	-	Standardised effect size -0.16 (95% CI, -0.42 to 0.18)
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NOURISH, Daniels, 2013	N = 698				
Response to refusal of familiar foods	* N = 466	Insist child eats it At 2 years	37 (90)	18 (39)	p < 0.001
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	* N = 464	Offer milk drink instead At 2 years	22 (53)	14 (30)	p = 0.022
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	* N = 465	Offer liked food instead At 2 years	78 (189)	63 (140)	p = 0.001
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	* N = 466	Encourage to eat: turn mealtime into game At 2 years	57 (139)	21 (47)	p < 0.001
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	* N = 465	Offer food reward At 2 years	31 (75)	9 (19)	p < 0.001
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	* N = 464	Encourage to eat: offer nonfood reward At 2 years	27 (65)	18 (39)	p = 0.026
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	* N = 464	Accept that child may not be hungry; take food away At 2 years	91 (222)	96 (213)	p = 0.033
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Response to refusal of unfamiliar foods (neophobia)	* N = 457	Assume child dislikes; do not offer again At 2 years	13 (32)	5 (11)	p = 0.033

	* N = 456	Disguise food At 2 years	65 (156)	45 (98)	p < 0.001
	* N = 462	Offer with liked food At 2 years	94 (229)	94 (206)	p = 0.99
	* N = 465	Times offered a food before deciding whether liked (≤ 6 times) At 2 years	35 (87)	72 (159)	p < 0.001
NOURISH, Daniels, 2015	* N = 390	Insist child eats it at 5 years	65 (126)	48 (94)	p = 0.001
Response to refusal of familiar foods	* N = 391	Offer milk drink instead at 5 years	6 (11)	3 (6)	p = 0.22
	* N = 389	Offer liked food instead at 5 years	41 (78)	37 (72)	p = 0.47
	* N = 391	Encourage to eat Feed child with spoon/fork at 5 years	53 (103)	42 (84)	p = 0.034
	* N = 390	Offer food reward at 5 years	63 (120)	42 (83)	p < 0.001
	* N = 390	Offer non-food reward at 5 years	39 (74)	29 (58)	p = 0.055
Responsive feeding strategies	* N = 391	Offer no food until next usual meal/snack time at 5 years	64 (123)	77 (152)	p = 0.006
	* N = 389	Accept that child may not be hungry; take food away at 5 years	79 (152)	88 (173)	p = 0.014
Response to refusal of unfamiliar foods (neophobia)	* N = 382	Assume child dislikes; do not offer again at 5 years	14 (27)	13 (25)	p = 0.88
	* N = 382	Disguise food at 5 years	53 (102)	41 (78)	p = 0.018
	* N = 391	Offer with liked food at 5 years	92 (178)	93 (184)	p = 0.85

		Times offered a food before deciding whether liked (≤ 6 times) at 5 years	55 (107)	39 (77)	p = 0.002
Feeding Young Children Study, Bonuck, 2013	N = 135	Bottle frequency (any use, %)	44%	33%	11% difference in prevalence, p = 0.25
POI.nz, Fangupo, 2015	N = 495	Offered 2 fruits a day (%)	Control + sleep 94%	FAB + Sleep 96%	RR 1.02 (95% CI, 0.98 to 1.06), p = 0.455
		Offered 2 vegetables a day (%)	Control + sleep 96%	FAB + Sleep 98%	RR 1.02 (95% CI, 0.99 to 1.05), p = 0.282
		Used a cup, not bottle (%)	Control + sleep 47%	FAB + Sleep 53%	RR 1.13 (95% CI, 0.95 to 1.35), p = 0.16
		Daily breakfast (%)	Control + sleep 91%	FAB + Sleep 93%	RR 1.02 (95% CI, 0.97 to 1.08), p = 0.375
		Family dinner at the table (%)	Control + sleep 66%	FAB + Sleep 59%	RR 0.9 (95% CI, 0.79 to 1.04), p = 0.146
	N = 502	Did not eat meals in front of the TV (%)	Control + sleep 15%	FAB + Sleep 17%	RR 1.16 (95% CI, 0.78 to 1.74), p = 0.464
		Household fruit and vegetable availability (mean)	Control + sleep 31	FAB + Sleep 32	RR 0.99 (95% CI, -0.5 to 2.48), p = 0.194
		Number of obesogenic foods in household (mean number)	Control + sleep 21	FAB + Sleep 21	RR 0.39 (95% CI, -0.88 to 1.66), p = 0.39
POI.nz, Taylor, 2018	N = 592	Night sleep, duration (hour)	Controls 11.6	FAB SleepCombo 11.5 11.6 11.5	p = 0.74
		Night awakenings (number per night)	Controls 1.6	FAB SleepCombo 1.7 1.6 1.5	p = 0.66
	N = 602	Bedtime resistance score (mean occurrence)	Controls 0.13	FAB SleepCombo 0.15 0.11 0.12	p = 0.011
	N = 351	Light to vigorous physical activity (mins per day)	Controls 231	FAB SleepCombo 240 232 236	p = 0.63

BeeBOFT, Grieken, 2017	N = 1543	Health related behaviours: Breakfast daily (%)	96.7%	98.3%	1.6% difference, p = 0.03
		Activity and outside play (hours/day, mean SD)	2.56	2.68	Mean SD difference 0.12, p = 1.9
		Sweetened sugar beverage consumption (glasses/day, mean)	2.31	2.10	Mean difference -0.21 glasses per day, p = 0.003
		Television/computer time (hours/day mean)	1.22	1.05	Mean difference -0.17 h/day, p < 0.001
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INSIGHT, Adams, 2018	N = 279	Met 2012 AAP screen time guidelines			
		44 weeks	30.2	53	p < 0.01
		1.5 years	15.9	23.5	p = 0.15
		2.5 years	59.8	60.9	p = 0.87
		Television on during infant meals			
		44 weeks	45.7%	32.5%	p = 0.04
		1.5 years	68.1%	48.7%	p < 0.01
		2.5 years	78.4%	66.4%	p = 0.05
		Children engagement in daily outdoor play at 2 years			
		15.1%	30.0%	p = 0.01	
		Dietary intake of children at 1 year			
		salty snacks	20.3%	9.8%	p = 0.03
vegetables daily	89.0%	95.9%	p = 0.049		
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INSIGHT, Savage, 2018	N = 279	Use of feeding to soothe			
		Context based			
		8 weeks	2.83	2.57	p = 0.008
		16 weeks	2.76	2.5	p = 0.009
		32 weeks	2.43	2	p < 0.0001
		44 weeks	2.56	2.16	p < 0.0001
		Emotion based			
		8 weeks	2.01	1.78	p = 0.07
		16 weeks	1.9	1.57	p = 0.002
		32 weeks	1.65	1.36	p = 0.0003
		44 weeks	1.62	1.31	p = 0.0001

		Adding cereal to bottle			
		8 weeks	1.8%	5.30%	CI (95% 0.6–15.6), p = 0.18
		20 weeks	20.00%	8.40%	CI (95% 0.2–0.8), p = 0.01
		32 weeks	14.00%	10.20%	CI (95% 0.3–1.6), p = 0.38
		Put child to bed with bottle/sippy cup			
		8 weeks	2.8%	0%	p = 0.95
		20 weeks	2.80%	1.70%	CI (95% 0.1–3.6), p = 0.56
		32 weeks	7.80%	5.30%	CI (95% 0.2–1.9), p = 0.42
		52 weeks	20.50%	10.40%	CI (95% 0.2–0.9), p = 0.03
		Night time feeds (7 pm–7 am)			
		8 weeks	3.3	3.1	p = 0.2
		20 weeks	2.2	1.8	p = 0.32
		32 weeks	1.7	1.3	p = 0.01
Starting Early Obesity Prevention Program, Gross, 2016	N = 533 * N = 456	Ever breastfed in the hospital	95.3%	95.9%	OR 1.16 (95% CI, 0.47 to 2.85), p = 0.82
		Exclusive BF in the hospital	31.1%	37.1%	OR 1.31 (95% CI, 0.89 to 1.93), p = 0.20
		Exclusive BF leaving the hospital	37.9%	45.7%	OR 1.38 (95% CI, 0.95 to 2.01), p = 0.11
		Any BM at 3 months	80.4%	83.3%	OR 1.21 (95% CI, 0.75 to 1.95), p = 0.47
		Exclusive BM at 3 months	23.4%	33.0%	OR 1.61 (95% CI, 1.07 to 2.44), p = 0.03
		100% BM on 24 h diet recall	33%	42.7%	OR 1.51 (95% CI, 1.03 to 2.21), p = 0.04
		Breastfeeding intensity continuous score (mean)	59.7	67.7	Mean difference –8.0 (95% CI, –15.3 to –0.75), p = 0.03
		Ever gave BM and formula at same feed per day	31.1%	22.4%	OR 0.64 (95% CI, 0.36 to 1.15), p = 0.15

Starting Early Obesity Prevention Program, Gross, 2017	N = 533 * N = 456	Introduced tea, water, juice or cereal in bottle at 3 months old	16.7%	6.3%	OR 0.34 (95% CI, 0.18 to 0.64), p = 0.001
		Total maternal infant feeding knowledge	9.8	10.3	Mean difference 0.51 (95% CI, 0.19 to 0.83), p = 0.002
		Tummy time (ever)	78.9%	86.4%	OR 1.71 (95% CI, 1.04 to 2.8), p = 0.04
		Tummy time (daily)	49.6%	50.5%	OR 1.04 (95% CI, 0.72 to 1.5), p = 0.93
		Tummy time on the floor (ever)	24.1%	40.7%	OR 2.16 (95% CI, 1.44 to 3.23), p < 0.001
		Tummy time mostly on the floor	5.2%	11.8%	OR 2.44 (95% CI, 1.2 to 4.98), p = 0.02
		Mean tummy time per day	1.87	1.96	Mean difference -0.09 (95% CI, -0.46 to -0.28), p = 0.64
		Mean infant age (weeks) for starting tummy time (SD)	6.90	6.62	Mean difference 0.28 (95% CI, -0.75 to 1.31), p = 0.60
		Unrestrained floor time (ever)	28.9%	40.6%	OR 1.69 (95% CI, 1.14 to 2.49), p = 0.01
		Restricted time (ever)	85.3%	85.4%	OR 1.00 (95% CI, 0.60 to 1.69), p = 1.00
BLISS, Taylor, 2017	N = 160	Restricted time (60 min or more)	58.6%	54.3%	OR 0.84 (95% CI, 0.58 to 1.22), p = 0.39
		Infant bouncy seat (ever)	57.5%	61.2%	OR 0.86 (95% CI, 0.59 to 1.25), p = 0.45
		Indoor baby swing (ever)	20.7%	20.4%	OR 0.98 (95% CI, 0.62 to 1.55), p = 1.00
		Car seat when not in a car (ever)	16.4%	9.5%	OR 0.54 (95% CI, 0.30 to 0.95), p = 0.04
		Energy self-regulation (mean SD of scale 1–5 based on parental response)	4.03	4.01	Mean difference -0.04 (95% CI, -0.29 to 0.21)
BLISS, Taylor, 2017	N = 160	Satiety response (mean SD of scale 1–5 based on parental response)	3.23	3.01	Mean difference -0.24 (95% CI, -0.41 to -0.07)
		Food responsiveness (mean SD of scale 1–5 based on parental response)	2.41	2.51	Mean difference 0.12 (-0.09 to 0.34)

N = 113	Food fussiness (mean SD of scale 1–5 based on parental response)	2.61	2.43	Mean difference –0.18 (95% CI, –0.40 to 0.05)
	Child enjoyment of food (mean SD of scale 1–5 based on parental response)	3.84	4.07	Mean difference 0.24 (95% CI, 0.05 to 0.43)
	Energy intake (per day), kj	4084	4026	Mean difference 143 (CI 95%, –241 to 526)
PRIMROSE, Doring, 2016	Children's eating habits			
	Fruits (t/d)	1.1 (0.03)	1.1(0.03)	0.01(–0.09 to 0.11), p = 0.78
	Children's eating habits			
	Vegetables (t/d)	0.9 (0.03)	1.0 (0.03)	0.13 (0.04 to 0.22), p = 0.01
	Children's eating habits			
	Fish (t/wk)	1.5 (0.06)	1.6 (0.06)	0.10 (–0.06 to 0.27), p = 0.21
	Children's eating habits			
	French fries (t/mo)	1.8 (0.07)	1.5 (0.07)	–0.37 (–0.58 to –0.17), p < 0.001
	Children's eating habits			
	Sugared drinks (t/wk)	2.7 (0.15)	2.2 (0.18)	–0.49 (–0.97 to –0.15), p = 0.04
	Discretionary calories (t/wk)	5.9 (0.12)	5.3 (0.17)	–0.60 (–1.01 to –0.18), p= 0.01
	Mothers' eating habits			
	—Fruits (t/d)	1.1 (0.04)	1.2 (0.03)	0.07 (–0.04 to 0.18), p = 0.22
	Mothers' eating habits			
	—Vegetables (t/d)	1.3 (0.04)	1.3 (0.06)	0.10 (–0.02 to 0.21), p = 0.10
	Mothers' eating habits			
	—Fish (t/wk)	1.8 (0.07)	2.0 (0.07)	0.18 (–0.01 to 0.38), p = 0.07
	Mothers' eating habits			
	—French fries (t/mo)	1.7 (0.10)	1.4 (0.08)	–0.33 (–0.58 to –0.10), p = 0.01
	Mothers' eating habits			
	Sugared drinks (t/wk)	1.8 (0.11)	1.5 (0.14)	–0.26 (–0.60 to 0.08), p = 0.13
	Mothers' eating habits			
	Discretionary calories (t/wk)	5.9(0.12)	5.3(0.17)	–1.00 (–1.72 to –0.28), p = 0.01
	Children's physical activity	51 min/day	50.6 min/day	–0.36 (–3.00 to 2.28), p = 0.81

		Mothers' physical activity	2.6 (0.04)	2.6 (0.03)	0.07 (−0.02 to 0.16), p = 0.13
Early Obesity Prevention, Schroeder, 2015	N = 232	Tricep skinfold at baseline	7.85	7.94	Mean difference 0.09
		Tricep skinfold at 12 months	8.82	9.70	Mean difference 0.88 p < 0.002
		Triceps skinfold at 24 months	8.42	8.83	Mean difference 0.41
		Triceps + subscapular skinfold at baseline	14.45	14.36	Mean difference −0.09
		Triceps + subscapular skinfold at 12 months	15.36	16.46	Mean difference 1.1 p < 0.018
		Triceps + subscapular skinfold at 24 months	14.06	14.68	Mean difference 0.62
		Use infant cereal as first complimentary food	-	-	p < 0.001 (INT less likely)
		Use stage 1 vegetables as first complimentary food	-	-	p < 0.05 (INT less likely)
		Offered soda	9%	1%	p < 0.006
		Sweetened tea	8.2%	1%	p < 0.01
		Punch	5.8%	0%	p < 0.02
		Cow's milk	16.2%	2.5%	p < 0.001
		Delay introduction of drink and food other than breast milk	-	-	p < 0.05 (INT more likely)
	N = 186	Perceived feeding responsibility at 24 months	4.45	4.50	Mean difference 0.05, p = 0.930
PROBIT, Morandi, 2019		Perceived parent overweight at 24 months	3.28	3.15	Mean difference −0.13, p = 0.409
		Perceived child overweight at 24 months	2.89	2.98	Mean difference 0.09, p = 0.194
		Concerns about child overweight at 24 months	2.06	2.29	Mean difference 0.23, p = 0.329
		Dietary restriction at 24 months	3.44	3.77	Mean difference 0.33, p = 0.010
		Pressure to eat at 24 months	2.68	2.72	Mean difference 0.04, p = 0.939
		Monitoring at 24 months	4.13	4.41	Mean difference 0.28, p = 0.046
	N = 550	Feeding on demand at 12 months (%)	80%	93%	13% difference, p = 0.001

N = 468	Television viewing at age 2 years (>30 mins a day, %)	67%	73%	6% difference, p = 0.08
N = 468	Sweetened Beverage consumption at age 2 years (any, %)	57%	63%	6% difference, p = 0.16

Table S8. Risk of Bias (RoB 2.0) assessments.

Study	Design	Risk of bias
Healthy Beginnings @ 2 years	RCT	High Risk
Healthy Beginnings @ 3.5, 5 years	RCT	High Risk
Feeding Young Children Study	RCT	Some Concerns
INFANT	RCT	Low Risk
INFANT at 3 and 5	RCT	Low Risk
NOURISH at 2 years	RCT	Low Risk
NOURISH at 5 years	RCT	Low Risk
PRIMROSE	RCT	High Risk
INSIGHT at 1 year	RCT	Low Risk
INSIGHT at 3 years	RCT	Low Risk
BeeBOFT	RCT	Low Risk
BLISS	RCT	Low Risk
POI.nz	RCT	Low Risk
PROBIT	RCT	Low Risk
Early Obesity Prevention	RCT	High Risk

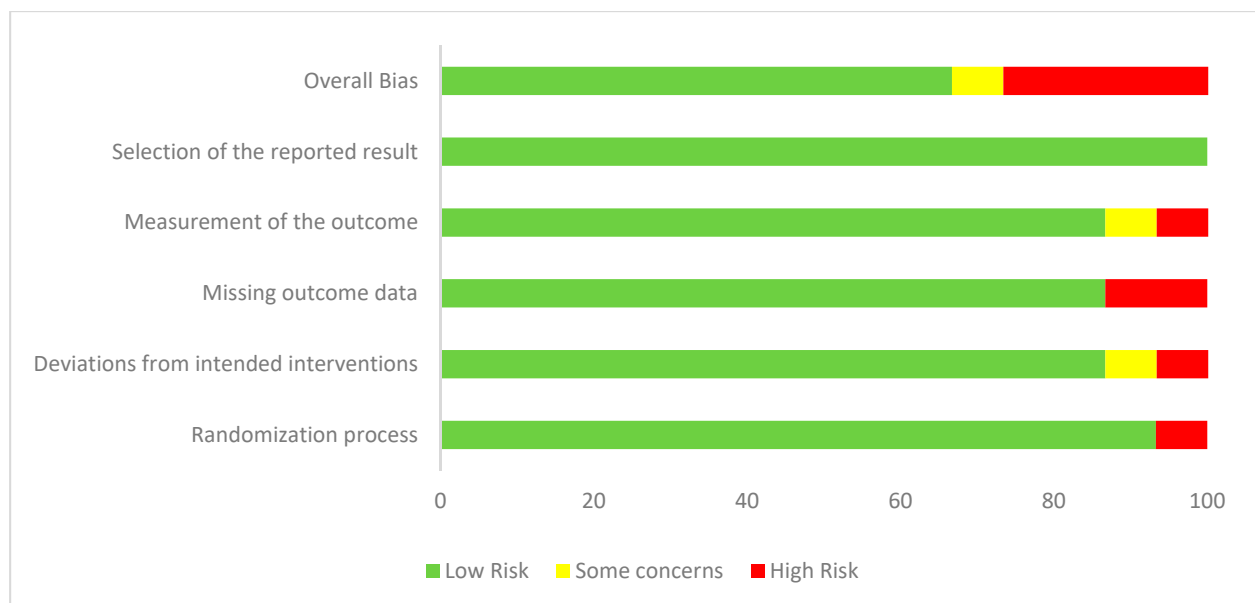


Figure S1. Risk of bias graph.