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Coding Manual for Childhood Obesity-Relevant Policy Documents

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ABSTRACT

• Studies about policymakers' use of research evidence frequently track 'evidence' as opposed to tracking 'use'.
• Policymakers use evidence to inform their thoughts and decisions but also to influence those of others.
• Policymakers' communication with and about evidence is a reliable proxy of how and for what purpose they use evidence.
• Methods from the field of persuasive communication can yield a rich and nuanced account of policymakers' evidence use.

This is a protocol to code documents about the policymaking process using a theory-grounded content analysis methodology. It looked at policymaking within U.S. Congress and the type and content of documents and evidence that was cited in deliberations

THIS PROTOCOL ACCOMPANIES THE FOLLOWING PUBLICATION

Yanovitzky, I & Weber, M.S. (in press) Tracking and Analyzing Use of Evidence in Public Policymaking Processes: A Theory-Grounded Content Analysis Methodology, *Evidence & Policy*

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This protocol was used to support policy-making research. We used it with the DeDoose coding tools. The coding structure was developed in an iterative manner and is described in Yanovitzky & Weber (in press).