Reviewer's report

Title: Tackling inequalities in obesity: How effective are public health interventions at reducing socio-economic inequalities in obesity amongst children?

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Reviewer: Margaret Maglione

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This protocol presents plans for an important and timely systematic review. The methods are appropriate, the writing is clear, and there are no major changes warranted before publication.

Discretionary Revisions

1. The primary and secondary outcomes to be abstracted should be listed in the abstract, i.e. the authors should describe here how changes in economic inequalities in childhood obesity will be measured.

2. Background section of the protocol is very well written but a bit long. It could be cut down to focus on the main points.

3. Methods section - Page 10 refers to previous systematic reviews for inclusion criteria. Would prefer a couple sentences be added to the protocol so that readers do not need to access a separate document.

Level of interest: An article of outstanding merit and interest in its field

Quality of written English: Acceptable

Statistical review: No, the manuscript does not need to be seen by a statistician.

Declaration of competing interests:

I declare that I have no competing interests.