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Supplementary File 1: RAMESES Checklist

TITLE The makings of a maternal obesity epidemic: A meta-narrative review		
1	In the title, identify the document as a meta-narrative review or synthesis	Title page
ABSTRACT		
2	While acknowledging publication requirements and house style, abstracts should ideally contain brief details of: the study's background, review question or objectives; search strategy; methods of selection, appraisal, analysis and synthesis of sources; main results; and implications for practice.	Abstract meets requirements
INTRODUCTION		
3 Rationale for review	Explain why the review is needed and what it is likely to contribute to existing understanding of the topic area.	Discussed in Background section
4 Objectives and focus of review	State the objective(s) of the review and/or the review question(s). Define and provide a rationale for the focus of the review.	Discussed in Background
METHODS		
5 Changes in the review process	Any changes made to the review process that was initially planned should be briefly described and justified.	Updated in 2022

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6 Rationale for using meta-narrative review	Explain why meta-narrative review was considered the most appropriate method to use.	6
7 Evidence of adherence to guiding principles of meta-narrative review	Where appropriate show how each of the six guiding principles (pragmatism, pluralism, historicity, contestation, reflexivity and peer review) have been followed.	Six guiding principles discussed
8 Scoping the literature	Describe and justify the initial process of exploratory scoping of literature.	Final paragraph of Background section
9 Searching processes	While considering specific requirements of the journal or other publication outlet, state and provide a rationale for how the iterative searching was done. Provide details on all the sources accessed for information in the review. Where searching in electronic databases has taken place, the details should include (for example) name of database, search terms, dates of coverage and date last searched. If individuals familiar with the relevant literature and/or topic area were contacted, indicate how they were identified and selected.	Discussed in methods section
10 Selection and appraisal of documents	Explain how judgements were made about including and excluding data from documents, and justify these.	Discussed in methods section
11 Data extraction	Describe and explain which data or information were extracted from the included documents and justify this selection.	Discussed in methods/results section

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12 Analysis and synthesis processes	Describe the analysis and synthesis processes in detail. This section should include information on the constructs analysed and describe the analytic process.	Data extraction and synthesis
RESULTS		
13 Document flow diagram	Provide details on the number of documents assessed for eligibility and included in the review with reasons for exclusion at each stage as well as an indication of their source of origin (for example, from searching databases, reference lists and so on). You may consider using the example templates (which are likely to need modification to suit the data) that are provided.	Fig 1- Search and selection flow chart
14 Document characteristics	Provide information on the characteristics of the documents included in the review.	Table 1
15 Main findings	Present the key findings with a specific focus on theory building and testing.	In line with meta-narrative reporting, the results are now presented in three sections: 1) Historicity; 2) Unfolding storyline by research tradition; and 3) Meta-narratives.
DISCUSSION		
16 Summary of findings	Summarise the main findings, taking into account the review's objective(s), research question(s), focus and intended audience(s).	Results section

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17 Strengths, limitations and future research	Discuss both the strengths of the review and its limitations. These should include (but need not be restricted to) (a) consideration of all the steps in the review process and (b) comment on the overall strength of evidence supporting the explanatory insights which emerged. The limitations identified may point to areas where further work is needed.	Strengths and limitations of the meta-narrative review discussed
18 Comparison with existing literature	Where applicable, compare and contrast the review's findings with the existing literature (for example, other reviews) on the same topic.	Discussion section
19 Conclusion and Recommendations	List the main implications of the findings and place these in the context of other relevant literature. If appropriate, offer recommendations for policy and practice.	Discussion section
20 Funding	Provide details of funding source (if any) for the review, the role played by the funder (if any) and any conflicts of interests of the reviewers.	Disclosed during submission for publication process.