Hello,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the WHO discussion paper.

Canada is appreciative of the methodology to derive the cost-effective interventions outlined in Tables 1 and 2, and supports the types of population-based interventions described. Canada appreciates the recognition that the focus of the work includes “renewed emphasis on implementing a strong public health approach that addresses the known determinants of mental health”. This is in alignment with existing Canadian approaches. However, we believe the scope of the examined interventions is limited and other interventions would greatly benefit from this assessment, for example: peer support programs, integrated youth mental health services and shared/collaborative care between primary care and specialized mental health services.

If you could kindly let us know when it will be published on the website, that would be great.

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