

The basic title format is

***[intervention] FOR [health problem]***

Antibiotics for acute bronchitis

Where two active interventions have been compared, the structure is:

***[intervention A] VERSUS [intervention B] FOR [health problem]***

Immediate versus delayed treatment for cervical intraepithelial neoplasia

Where the type of people studied or the location of the intervention is mentioned explicitly, the format is:

***[intervention] FOR [health problem] IN [participant group/location]***

Inhaled nitric oxide for respiratory failure in preterm infants

Although we have tried to ensure that titles are simple, it will sometimes be necessary to specify that the intervention is for preventing, treating, or preventing and treating the health problem(s) concerned.

***[intervention] FOR [preventing and/or treating] [health problem] IN [participant group/location]***

Pool fencing for preventing drowning in children

Amodiaquine for treating malaria

Vitamin C for preventing and treating the common cold

but for many prophylactic interventions there is often either no specified 'health problem'

***[intervention] IN or FOR [participant group/location].***

Restricted versus liberal water intake in preterm infants

Home-based social support for socially disadvantaged mothers