# **Special Issue**

# Epidemiology of ASD Services: Unmet Need, Barriers and Innovative Solutions

### Message from the Guest Editors

ASDs are complex, lifelong, neurodevelopmental conditions of largely unknown cause. Individuals with ASD often present with other co-occurring conditions. including epilepsy, depression, anxiety and ADHD. The lifelong burden of ASD challenges health and social services, and its wide heterogeneity requires highly specialized professionals able to integrate very different support needs. The provision of age-dependent services, able to offer both health and social support including educational, housing and job inclusion, is needed. This Special Issue aims to present the studies describing the recent advancements of the management of autism services and relevant epidemiology. Authors are invited to submit cuttingedge research and reviews that address the topics related to the availability of ASD services, their compliance with international recommendations, and factors potentially affecting the rate of service access. In particular, we aim to present advances in epidemiological research about child, adolescent and adult autism services that may have significant importance in the field of public health policies for ASD, including the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.

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