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Message from the Guest Editors

Over the past ten years, pediatric emergency medicine has deeply changed.

Sepsis, trauma, respiratory diseases and seizure management are still priorities in pediatric emergency departments, but the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic, global migrations, and actual social and cultural trends have had an impact on the epidemiology and etiology of such conditions. Moreover, these factors assisted in largely increasing the psychiatric burden in pediatric emergency departments worldwide.

From a global perspective, the crowding of pediatric emergency departments is a major patient safety concern and has consequences for healthcare providers regarding burnout and their well-being.

Simulation-based education and debriefing have emerged as effective strategies to improve the management of lowfrequency/high-impact conditions like pediatric emergencies. More recently, such training programs have been also used to develop non-technical skills in critical situations.



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