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Mitigating the Impact of Maternal Mental Health Challenges on Children's Development

Message from the Guest Editors

Substantial evidence demonstrates the detrimental effects of maternal mental health challenges on the cognitive and social-emotional development of children. Maternal depression, particularly during critical periods such as pregnancy and early childhood, has been linked to adverse developmental outcomes, including increased risks for emotional and behavioral disorders, cognitive delays, and difficulties in social functioning. We invite submissions that explore the mechanisms underlying the impact of maternal depression and anxiety on child development, with a focus on identifying factors that mitigate these effects. We are particularly interested in research that examines the role of environmental influences, including social determinants of health, in buffering the impact of maternal mental health challenges. We welcome submissions from diverse disciplines, including psychology, psychiatry, social work, public health, and education, to foster a comprehensive understanding of these critical issues.

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