



## Health Behaviours, Illness Representations, Quality of Life, Coping, and Fear of Cancer Recurrence in Those Affected by Cancer

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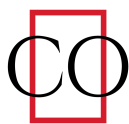
### Message from the Guest Editor

Fear of cancer recurrence, defined as ‘fear, worry, or concern about cancer returning or progressing’ (Lebel et al., 2016), is widely experienced by individuals and their loved ones and often features as a top unmet supportive need. These fears, if left unattended, can be related to maladaptive coping and intense distress. Globally, we have seen an increase in research that develops and tests different types of psychological interventions that assist those affected by cancer with these fears.

However, less is known about the relationship between health behaviours, illness representations, coping and these fears. For this Special Issue of *Current Oncology*, we invite submissions that advance the literature on the relationships among fear of cancer recurrence, health behaviours, illness representations, quality of life and coping. Submissions that use a wide range of research methods from evidence synthesis to experimental methods are welcome, as are those that focus on fear of cancer recurrence of family caregivers.

I look forward to receiving your contributions.





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