# **Special Issue**

# Mental and Physical Health and Well-Being of Individuals with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities

# Message from the Guest Editor

People with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) have different health patterns compared to the wider population, and they experience a significant number and range of mental and physical health issues more commonly. People with IDD can also experience health inequities when their specific mental and physical health needs are not recognized or met. This Special Issue aims to attract papers that present advances in research and practice for people with IDD, and their supporters, that have particular relevance to increasing our knowledge/awareness of specific health issues that are more prevalent in this population, as well as interventions and their evaluations to improve their health and wellbeing. Papers with a wider focus on promoting and maintaining the wellbeing of people with IDD, as well as more inclusive environments and public health initiatives, will also be beneficial. We encourage and welcome submissions on this topic from a broad range of disciplines and study types.

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Disability is a multidimensional construct and is the product of complex and situational interactions between an individual's attributes and their environments. This broadens the perspective of disability and allows for the examination of individual, social, and environmental influences on functioning, disability, and ability occurring in historical and cultural settings.

Consequently, *Disabilities* is inclusive of all types of disability, across all ages and contexts. We particularly welcome articles from low- and middle- income countries and articles that are authored/co-authored by people with the lived experience of disabilities.

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