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Mental Health and Adaptation in Chronic Illness: Risky Factors and Resilience

Message from the Guest Editors

In recent years, partly due to the increase in life expectancy and improvements in health care and pharmacotherapy, there has been an exponential increase in chronic illnesses. A chronic illness significantly affects a person's physical and mental health, while also shaping their sense of identity, relationships with family, and social roles. Managing such a condition is a lifelong commitment, requiring major lifestyle changes, strict compliance with medications and treatments, and the adoption of preventive strategies. Psychological resilience and resources could facilitate the process of self-management. Furthermore, informal caregivers—often partners, spouses, relatives, or friends—are crucial to this process. They take on a variety of challenging responsibilities, including handling emergencies, mediating disagreements between patients and healthcare providers, aiding in treatment decisions, and supporting both the emotional and practical needs of the patient.

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