Global Health in the Time of COVID-19: Law, Policy and Governance

Message from the Guest Editors

This Special Issue will focus on the law, policy and governance of global health in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, which exposed fundamental weaknesses in the public health order from both national and international aspects.

In the meantime, from geopolitical or rule-making perspectives, some countries attempted to reshape existing international health orders in the time of COVID-19. The Health Silk Road initiated by China, for example, is alleged to provide a foreign medical aid system in regional and global health governance. In addition, digital applications are widely used for controlling the COVID-19 pandemic, while new technologies such as e-health solutions, digital contact-tracing applications and artificial intelligence in medicine arouse issues concerning privacy protection, data security, public health information transparency and sharing, etc.

Therefore, in this Special Issue of Healthcare, we welcome commentaries, short reports, reviews and original research articles that provide new insights into the above-related issues. The studies may be quantitative, qualitative or mixed-method, and interdisciplinary approaches are welcomed.