

Special Issue

Misinformation: A Major Threat to Public Health, Healthcare Services, and Patient Outcomes

Message from the Guest Editor

The worldwide dissemination of misinformation has a palpable negative impact on public health, healthcare services, and patient outcomes. The online propagation of false information has emerged as a global issue with profound economic, political, and social repercussions. In this Special Issue, original research articles and reviews are welcome. Research areas may include (but are not limited to) the following:

- Accurate measurement and detection of health-related misinformation in clinical and community settings;
- Patient-specific and system-level predictors of vulnerability to health misinformation;
- Quantifiable impacts of misinformation on patient health behaviors, treatment adherence, and clinical outcomes;
- Health system consequences of misinformation, including effects on provider–patient communication and public health initiatives;
- Evidence-based strategies for healthcare professionals to identify and counteract misinformation in clinical practice;
- The role of social media and digital platforms in propagating health misinformation and healthcare policy interventions for effective mitigation.

I look forward to receiving your contributions.

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