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Mental Health and Stigma of Sexual Minorities

Message from the Guest Editor

Sexual minorities have an increased risk of poor mental health compared to the heterosexual community, particularly in terms of self-harm, suicide, mood disorders, and substance disorders. External stigma refers to the persistent discrimination from society, family, and intimate partners, whereas internal stigma takes the form of concious or unconcious messages around homonegativity. This Special Issue aims to highlight studies from high-, middle-, or low-income counties, employing a global perspective, as the conceptualization of mental health stigma has predominantly focused on white Western ideology thus far, ignoring the role of cuture in mental health. This Special Issue aims to cover a wide variety of mental health issues and internal or external stressors that affect either the whole community or specific subgroups under the LGBTQQIP2SAA umbrella.

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