Special Issue

System Reforms for Addressing Health Inequalities

Message from the Guest Editors

The challenges of addressing health inequalities are enormous. Numerous reports highlight both their existence and the importance in addressing them; far fewer focus on how this can be achieved. This Special Issue of *Healthcare* seeks to address this shortcoming and invites original research, reports, and reviews on both the theoretical and practical challenges that care delivery systems must overcome and examples where they are already doing so to help to reduce health inequalities. This Special Issue aims to inform debate on the needed changes in health policy, systems, and environments that communities and care professionals find themselves in to ensure better outcomes. The work is not limited to the health sector. Changes include better engagement between the public and professions, contractual reform, public involvement in decision making, intersectoral working, consistency in approaches, and ensuring access to care. It is hoped that health policy specialists, policymakers, and those in political office will use the content of the Special Issue as a resource for helping to address inequalities.

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