



Health Equity and Health Disparities in Public Health Research and Practice

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Message from the Guest Editors

Healthy People 2030 defines health equity as “the attainment of the highest level of health for all people.” It also defines a health disparity as “a particular type of health difference that is closely linked with social, economic, and/or environmental disadvantage.” Health equity and health disparities are a national and international public health and health education priority. Racial and ethnic minorities, people in rural communities, individuals and families with disabilities, and other underserved or underrepresented groups face longstanding disparities in health. This Special Issue of the *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health (IJERPH)* focuses on health equity and health disparities in public health research and practice. We will accept studies from different disciplines that address health disparities and inequities.

The following are a few suggested examples of areas of interest that could be addressed in this Special Issue (this is not an exhaustive list): screening, epidemiology, genomics, intervention studies, services research, health policy, disabilities, health education, and health behavior.





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