



New Advances in Chronic Disease and Mental Health Inequities

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Message from the Guest Editors

Understanding and addressing the co-occurring epidemics of chronic diseases, mental health conditions, and COVID-19 are critical to our management of current and future challenges within the public health, clinical, and scientific communities. We broadly conceptualize chronic diseases to include cardiovascular diseases, diabetes and other metabolic diseases, cancer, chronic pulmonary diseases, HIV/AIDS, and auto-immune conditions.

We present this Special Issue as a forum for collecting studies on these topics that can bridge research with practical programmatic and policy implications. We welcome articles concerning the results of epidemiologic studies that apply structural frameworks and syndemic theories to examine these associations, health services research to examine inequities in access and linkages to mental health and/or chronic disease care, and intervention and policy approaches to address chronic disease and mental health inequities. We especially welcome submissions from first authors of historically marginalized and excluded groups, as well as students.





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