



Disasters and Their Consequences for Public Health

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Message from the Guest Editor

The likelihood of disasters and catastrophic events is increasing worldwide. This is a result of many factors, including climate change and population movement. Climate change is impacting our world, bringing with it an increase in disasters related to extreme weather, droughts, rising sea levels, and wildfires. Furthermore, as populations continue to move to urban areas, and as the urban areas grow, they are increasingly intersecting with hazard prone areas (such as coastal areas and the interface with wildlands). At the same time, health care and public health systems are increasingly complex and facing economic challenges.

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