Message from the Guest Editors

Emergency medical services (EMS) not only deliver emergency care for people who get sick or injured but also transport them in a timely manner to medical facilities that can provide definitive treatment. The compositions of the EMS system vary around the world. Some are run by physicians and some by emergency medical technicians. Variations of cultures, histories, and customs in different areas also affect the style of the local EMS system. The EMS system belongs to a part of social safety and plays a crucial role in preserving the lives of citizens who have suffered from life-threatening illnesses and traumatic accidents. EMS personnel also respond to various kinds of situations, including nuclear, biological and chemical incidents, and even disasters.

We sincerely invite research articles that are related to the EMS system to be submitted in this Special Issue, “Emergency Medical Services Research”, including descriptions of current condition, system improvement, prehospital care, new innovations, strategies, or technologies, occupational health and safety, financial issues, political statements, etc. Manuscripts of themes in disasters are also welcome.
Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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