Community Health Intervention to Reduce Chronic Disease

Message from the Guest Editor

According to the World Health Organization (WHO, 2015), non-communicable disease, also known as chronic disease, accounts for 70% of all premature deaths, globally, each year. It is widely recognized that these are complex conditions influenced by an interplay of personal, behavioural, social, economic, and environmental factors. Researchers, policy makers, and health practitioners are interested in identifying effective prevention and management strategies to prevent the onset of chronic disease as well as reduce premature deaths from chronic disease. Identifying predisposing factors is necessary to developing effective interventions. Moreover, research on the efficacy and effectiveness of community based interventions that address multiple levels of influence is needed. This research focuses on policy, organizational systems, environment, behavior, and/or preventive medicine interventions.
Message from the Editor-in-Chief

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