



## Mental Health of Young People during COVID-19—Lessons Learned and Implication for the Future

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### Message from the Guest Editor

The impact of the COVID-19 outbreak has been one of the most challenging public health crises in the world. Emerging infectious disease outbreaks such as the current coronavirus pandemic often have a tremendous impact on the mental well-being of the population due to the fear of the disease itself as well as uncertainty.

Children and youths could be especially vulnerable as we enter the third year of the pandemic, due to the disruption of routines, education, and recreation, as well as the concern for possible loss of family income or death of family members. The current Special Issue encourages authors to contribute original articles, reviews and meta-analyses dealing with the short-, mid- and long-term effects of COVID-19 on the mental health of children and youths. We are especially interested in what have we learned so far, and in the implications of the pandemic for the mental health and well-being of children and youths. A particular focus should be placed on trying to answer the potential risk and resilience factors and long-term consequences of COVID-19 in youth and the implications (preventive or intervention measures) for the future.





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