



Participatory Research in Health Promotion

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Message from the Guest Editors

In the health promotion literature, there has been considerable concern about the need to maintain and retain health benefits attained with health promotion interventions. The road towards achieving sustainability in adherence to health-based interventions might be the key to future health promotion. However, there is still a gap between the design of evidence-based interventions and their effective and sustainable implementation. The participatory or co-creational approach is an increasingly advocated strategy that is gaining attention internationally as a mechanism to bridge this gap. It is thought that the involvement of end-users in the development of solution-based interventions using key elements derived from participatory methodologies may increase the likelihood of producing sustainable change. Participatory research involves the active collaboration of academic researchers with the persons whose life or work is the subject of the research throughout the research process.





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