



Intimate Partner Violence and Mental Health in Low- and Middle-Income Settings

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Message from the Guest Editors

Dear Colleagues,

Intimate partner violence (IPV) poses a threat to the human rights, safety, and health of women across the globe. Any physical or sexual injury sustained by survivors of IPV, research shows women who have experienced IPV are likely to develop a range of mental health symptoms and disorders both at the time of abuse and later in life. Studies also outline a relationship between witnessing IPV in childhood and experiencing mental illness in adulthood. While these associations between IPV and mental health are well-evidenced in high-income countries, there is a dearth of evidence about this topic in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs). This Special Issue will help to fill this gap by elucidating the mechanistic pathways between witnessing, experiencing, and perpetrating IPV, and mental health, as well as by identifying strategies for successfully mitigating the negative mental health consequences of IPV in LMIC and humanitarian contexts.

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