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# Rising Risk Factors and Management of Disability in Working-Age Adults

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# **Message from the Guest Editors**

Dear Colleagues,

Workers in the healthcare sector have an increasing incidence of infectious, metabolic, and cardiovascular diseases as well as on-the-job-injuries. Accordingly, the average working-age mortality rates increased in the US after 2010. Therefore, it is clear that employees in the healthcare sector deserve special attention in terms of prevention, care, and treatment of disabilities. The first aim of this Special issue is to offer an update on the rising risk factors for the health of healthcare workers. Secondly, we will face the timeless challenges related to the management of social disability in working-age adults. Although more research is needed to understand causal mechanisms, we recommend the urgency of adequate policy, because not acting to address the several health risk factors and social disabilities among working-age adults threatens the future wellbeing of families and communities









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