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Message from the Guest Editors

We are organizing a Special Issue on advances in the health of transgender and gender-nonconforming (TGNC) individuals. TGNC people represent a community that is diverse with respect to gender, ethnicity, socio-economic status, etc. Notwithstanding these differences, members of the TGNC population share many common experiences, such as belonging to a stigmatized minority. Indeed, although TGNC people represent a strongly resilient community, capable of successfully overcoming negative and adverse life conditions, they still experience high levels of prejudice, negatively affecting their health and wellbeing. An increasing body of literature has, in fact, demonstrated that gender-related prejudice and stigma are among the main factors producing health disparities. However, the TGNC population is changing, especially the younger segment, where a great percentage of people self-identify as non-binary, genderqueer, bigender, and so on, rejecting the binary view of the TGNC identity. Therefore, as researchers, we need to expand our knowledge base and look at TGNC people as a complex and segmented population with specific health needs.

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