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New Insights on Early Interventions for Addictive Behavior across the Lifespan

Message from the Guest Editor

Addictive Behaviors include recurrent and maladaptive engagement in behaviors despite negative consequences. Individuals engaging in addictive behaviors have been shown to experience impaired functioning, poor health outcomes and reduced quality of life. This Special Issue seeks to collate the latest knowledge and advances within the area of early interventions for addictive behavior, further understanding how addictive behavior can be best prevented and treated in adolescent, adult and older populations. Substance-related addictive behaviors (e.g., use of alcohol, drugs and nicotine) as well as nonsubstance-related addictive behaviors (e.g., gambling or gaming) will be covered in this Special Issue. We welcome papers discussing the prevention and treatment of addictive behavior at any severity, as well as research on how to overcome barriers that hinder individuals from participating or benefitting from prevention and treatment efforts. Such barriers might include comorbidities (e.g., mental health problems), health literacy or stigma. Empirical studies, intervention studies, as well as high-quality systematic reviews and meta-analytic studies are welcome.

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