

Special Issue

The Health Needs of Vulnerable Children: Challenges and Solutions

Message from the Guest Editor

Improving public health is an important objective for policy makers, and the health of children could have long-lasting consequences over the life course. We use the term vulnerable children in a broad sense to include many types of vulnerabilities. Children who are in extreme crisis situations, such as displacement due to climate disaster, civic unrest and violence or economic crisis, as well as those who suffer abuse, are victims of trafficking, or have complex health needs would be among the most vulnerable. However, many other children are also at risk of experiencing health problems due to a variety of persisting challenges, such as poverty and lack of social protection policies. In the more affluent communities, children might be especially vulnerable to stressors that precipitate mental health conditions including self-inflicted harm and suicide. This Special Issue is open to any subject area related to the health needs of vulnerable children, and most importantly to interventions and policies that have proved to have a positive impact on improving children's health.

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