Special Issue

The Cost-Effectiveness of Cross-Sectoral Obesity Prevention Interventions

Message from the Guest Editors

The current obesity epidemic around the globe has significant negative health and economic consequences. Raised body mass index is a major risk factor for diseases such as cardiovascular disease, type 2 diabetes, musculoskeletal conditions, and many cancers. These diseases not only cause premature mortality but also long-term morbidity. Given the pervasiveness of the obesogenic environment we live in, action on obesity will require a comprehensive societal approach incorporating government intervention across various sectors including health, education, transport, agriculture, and action by private companies. More evidence is needed to confirm the return on investment of obesity prevention policies, not only within the healthcare sector, but also across other government sectors.

This Special Issue offers an opportunity to publish highquality research on the economic credentials of interventions outside the health care sector with a primary or secondary impact on obesity levels. We are particularly interested in papers that quantify the crosssectoral impact of policies and their equity impacts.

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