# **Special Issue**

# Global Nursing Leadership for Climate Resilience and Health Equity

# Message from the Guest Editor

The impacts of climate change and environmental degradation are increasing, worsening existing health inequities and disproportionately impacting communities with structural disadvantage. The most recent Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Report (2023) documents a global surface warming of 1.1 oC for 2011-2020, above the baseline period from 1850 to 1900. This has largely been caused by human activities, mainly through the emission of greenhouse gases (GHG). Nursing, as the largest and most trusted health profession, is uniquely positioned to lead efforts that promote health equity, suport human dignity, and build climate-resilient and prepared health systems. This Special Issue invites scholarly contributions that highlight research, ethical, and social justice issues that address transformative role of nurses in environmental and public health issues resulting from a changing climate and the resulting disasters. We are seeking scholarly contributions that address important nursing studies, critical policy analyses, educational innovations, case studies, and community-led strategies that reflect nursing leadership in the diverse global context of a changing climate.

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