

Special Issue

Mental Health and its Social and Cultural Implications

Message from the Guest Editor

Mental health is a major public health- and a service system issue all around the world. There is an emerging need to prioritize it in agendas in both developed and developing countries. Among the illnesses, mental health disturbances involve the highest losses of quality of life and functioning, and these disturbances affect strongly the people's ability to connect and cope with societal stress. At the largest, their impact extends to family generations as well as personal social networks and society as a whole. In this Special Issue of the journal, we aim at providing insight regarding the mental health needs of people in societies that often are in transition of some kind. Mental health services and social policy affect the well being and productivity of populations in all countries. Poor living conditions, discrimination and lack of support is increasing the burden of mental illnesses worldwide, but the developing countries have to struggle in particular to find political interest and effective services for mental health.

Guest Editor

Prof. Dr. Sami Pirkola

Professor of Social Psychiatry, Faculty of Social Sciences, Health Sciences, University of Tampere, Arvo Ylpön katu 34, Tampere FI-33014, Finland

Deadline for manuscript submissions

closed (15 April 2018)



International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

CiteScore 9.8
Indexed in PubMed



mdpi.com/si/11520

*International Journal of
Environmental Research and
Public Health*

Editorial Office

MDPI, Grosspeteranlage 5

4052 Basel, Switzerland

Tel: +41 61 683 77 34

ijerph@mdpi.com

mdpi.com/journal/

[ijerph](https://mdpi.com/journal/ijerph)





International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health

an Open Access Journal
by MDPI

CiteScore 9.8
Indexed in PubMed



[mdpi.com/journal/
ijerph](https://mdpi.com/journal/ijerph)



About the Journal

Message from the Editor-in-Chief

Addressing the environmental and public health challenges requires engagement and collaboration among clinicians and public health researchers. Scientific discoveries and advances in this research field play a critical role in providing a rational basis for informed decision-making toward control and prevention of human diseases, especially the illnesses that are induced from environmental exposure to health hazards.

IJERPH provides a forum for discussion of discoveries and knowledge in these multidisciplinary fields. Please consider publishing your research in this high quality peer-reviewed journal.

Editor-in-Chief

Prof. Dr. Paul R. Ward

School of Society and Culture, Adelaide University, Adelaide 5001,
Australia

Author Benefits

Open Access:

free for readers, with article processing charges (APC) paid by authors or their institutions.

High Visibility:

indexed within Scopus, PubMed, MEDLINE, PMC, Embase, GEOBASE, CAPlus / SciFinder, and other databases.

Journal Rank:

CiteScore - Q1 (Public Health, Environmental and Occupational Health)