Special Issue

Parenting, Feeding and Child Eating Behaviors: A Complex Interplay

Message from the Guest Editors

Parental socialization of eating behaviors in children and the styles and practices parents use during feeding episodes have a significant impact on the development of child eating behaviors including eating selfregulation. These behaviors affect the weight trajectories of growing children and have the potential to influence the development of childhood obesity and comorbid diseases. Insight on the mechanisms underlying these behaviors and their interplay is critical to the formulation of effective prevention approaches to childhood obesity.

This Special Issue is focused on parental feeding and child eating behaviors and their relationship to child health. For this Special Issue of IJERPH, we invite papers focused on parenting behaviors as they relate to feeding, child eating behaviors, child eating selfregulation, the relationship of such behaviors to childhood obesity and health outcomes, family- or school based obesity prevention programs targeting these behaviors, and studies providing a physiological insight into these relationships and behaviors.

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