# **Special Issue**

### The Use of Physical Restraints in Clinical Practice

#### Message from the Guest Editors

The use of physical restraints in healthcare settings has been heavily debated due to the questionable ethical and legal issues affecting the autonomy and dignity of patients and the many adverse physical and psychosocial effects of these devices.

This Special Issue welcomes research papers on various aspects of physical restraint use in different healthcare settings, including individual, staff, and organizational factors contributing to their use, the role of knowledge and attitude of healthcare professionals, the decision-making process, interventions supporting physical restraint reduction, alternative strategies, and the perspectives of patients, family, and/or informal caregivers. We especially encourage the submission of interdisciplinary work and multi-center research. We welcome original research papers using different study designs, both quantitative and qualitative, as well as systematic reviews and meta-analyses.

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