Special Issue

The Impact of Health-Promoting Built Environments on Public Health

Message from the Guest Editors

There is a large body of published research linking features of the built environment to improved health behaviors and health outcomes. Such research has increasingly been applied in the design of communities that allow for increased walkability, access to public transportation, and access to green spaces. Increasingly, health-promoting features (access to natural light, communal spaces for gathering, attention to indoor air quality) are also being considered as key elements of a healthy indoor environment. Despite several decades of research on the link between built environments and health, data that will elucidate the pathways between features of a built environment and specific health outcomes are still needed. For example, what are the links between community green spaces, social cohesion, and measures of psychological wellbeing? Which specific features of a built environment are most impactful on physical activity behaviors? We invite papers that examine the extent to which healthpromoting features of a built environment have specifically impacted health- and well-being-related outcomes.

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